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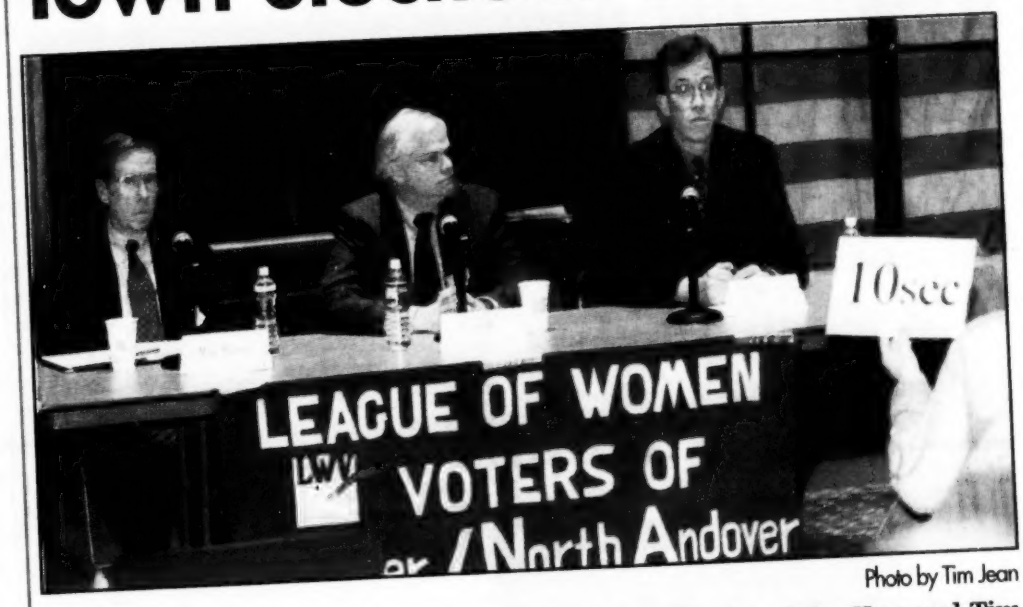

Photo by Tim Jean

Time is running out for selectman candidates Ray Hender, John Hess and Tim McCarron to attract voters before the election on March 27.

Tuesday's election at Andover High School

The annual town election will take place on Tuesday, March 27. All precincts will vote at the Andover High School Field House on Shawsheen Road from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. The entrance to the polling place is in the back of the field house. Parking will be available for voters in the parking lot beside it.

Absentee voter applications must be filed with the town clerk's office before noon on Monday, March 26.

A voter shuttle bus will run from the senior center to Andover High, leaving the senior center every 40 minutes, beginning at 8 a.m. The bus will make stops at Town Offices, the Railroad Street apartments and Frye Circle before arriving at Andover High about 15 minutes later.

The first bus will leave Andover High at 8:25 and arrive back at the senior center at 8:36. The last bus will leave the senior center at 6 p.m., arrive at Andover High at 6:15 p.m. and return at 6:36 p.m.

Override issue has some worried

By Rebecca Piro

With less than a week before voters line up Tuesday, March 27 at Andover High School, the three selectmen candidates are scrambling to prepare, and the voters are sizing them up.

In the only contested race of the Annual Town Election, three candidates – incumbent Selectman John Hess, former School Committee member Tim McCarron and schools building committee member Ray Hender – have taken positions on the hot issues in town *(see page 14)*.

But, with town officials discussing an override for operating budgets, some residents says they're still waiting for the perfect candidates to turn up.

"I don't think any of the candidates are qualified," says Stevens Circle resident Jim Bedford. Last week, all three candidates told the *Townsman* they would be willing to support a Proposition 2½ override to permanently raise the tax levy limit. Bedford, who thinks taxes and town spending are already out of control, isn't too happy about that.

"I think we're just going crazy on this budget," he says. Bedford says he wants to see Andover's schools get their funding, but he's also concerned about the elderly residents who can no longer afford their proper-

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Idea sets aside little to open new schools in '02

Plan formed to delay override

By Adam Groff

After hours of wrestling with the numbers on Friday and again on Tuesday, the Strategic Planning Task Force sketched the outlines of a town budget that would fund most if not all of the school department's budget request without overriding Proposition 2½. But task force members suggested that this would only be achieved, over the objections of Selectmen Chair Brian Major, at the expense of the money that was to be set aside for opening the new schools in the fall of 2002.

The roughly 14-member task force, composed of town officials, selectmen, Finance Committee members and School Committee members, has been struggling to unite behind a budget plan since the School Committee last month ratified a superintendent's school budget that is almost $1.1 million higher than the amount recommended by the town manager. On Tuesday night, the task force settled on an additional $375,000 that should be raised to cover special education, which some selectmen and Finance Committee members thought was underfunded in the school department's request.

On March 7, the three boards had entertained the eleventh-hour idea of asking residents for a general override of Proposition 2½, which, if approved at town meeting, would require a referendum allowing a property tax increase large enough to cover the schools budget and a special-education increase. Officials seemed to back off that idea Tuesday night.

"Nobody wants to touch this, do they?" asked School Committee Chair Tina Girdwood, breaking the silence that followed the evening's first mention of the override option.

Attempting to stay within the levy limit, one place to which many task force members were irresistibly drawn to find part of the nearly $1.5 million overrun was the stabilization fund, to which $600,000 had been allotted for next year to go toward the more than $1

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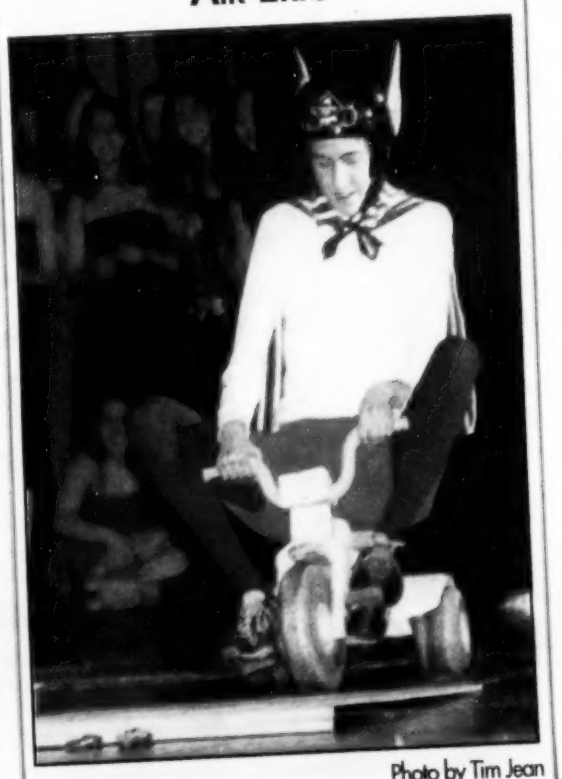

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There he is — Mr. AHS, Eric Giordano, makes the jump to title-holder. Page 11.

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TownTalk

Back from Russia

Manager Mahony returns

You can take a former town manager out of the country, but he'll always be a manager at heart.

What else can explain former Andover town manager Ken Mahony's musings on Andover when he returned to town after a 14-month absence. "I was glad to see the Aaa bond rating," he said. He went on to congratulate town manager Buzz Stapczynski and selectmen for working to accomplish the feat.

Unfortunately, health reasons forced Mahony, who served as Andover's town manager before Stapczynski and had a tremendous influence on the town's development in that era, to come home earlier than planned. He has been diagnosed with lymphoma. "I didn't know what I had, but I wasn't feeling good. I wanted to get it straightened out here," he said.

Mahony, who now works for Research Triangle Institute, was in Russia working on ways to get that country's vast regions to work cooperatively with cities on financial matters. It was not his first time abroad helping natives adjust to democracy. He previously worked in Slovakia and spent 18 months in the Ukraine. He's been with his company for six years.

This time, he lived in far-East Russia, just above Japan, and worked in St. Petersburg, seven time zones away. Exhausting, definitely, but Mahony wanted to get the work done.

"Successes are the governments there. You get them excited about it and open their processes. It's like one point of light at a time and pretty soon you have lots of lights. It's very rewarding," he said.

He also had a slice of Russian life, which, as everyone knows, can be summed up in one word – cold!

He endured two serious snow storms this winter, each dropping three times the amount that fell in Andover earlier this month. Each dumped two meters of snow. That is 78.8 inches, or just over six feet.

— Judy Wakefield

Eagle-eyed resident confirms sighting

Joann Hayssen, of Winchester Drive, confirms last week's report of an eagle flying in the area. Hayssen said she saw a dark brown bird with white tail feathers that must have been an eagle. Although she's seen several hawks in the area, the eagle sighting was a first.

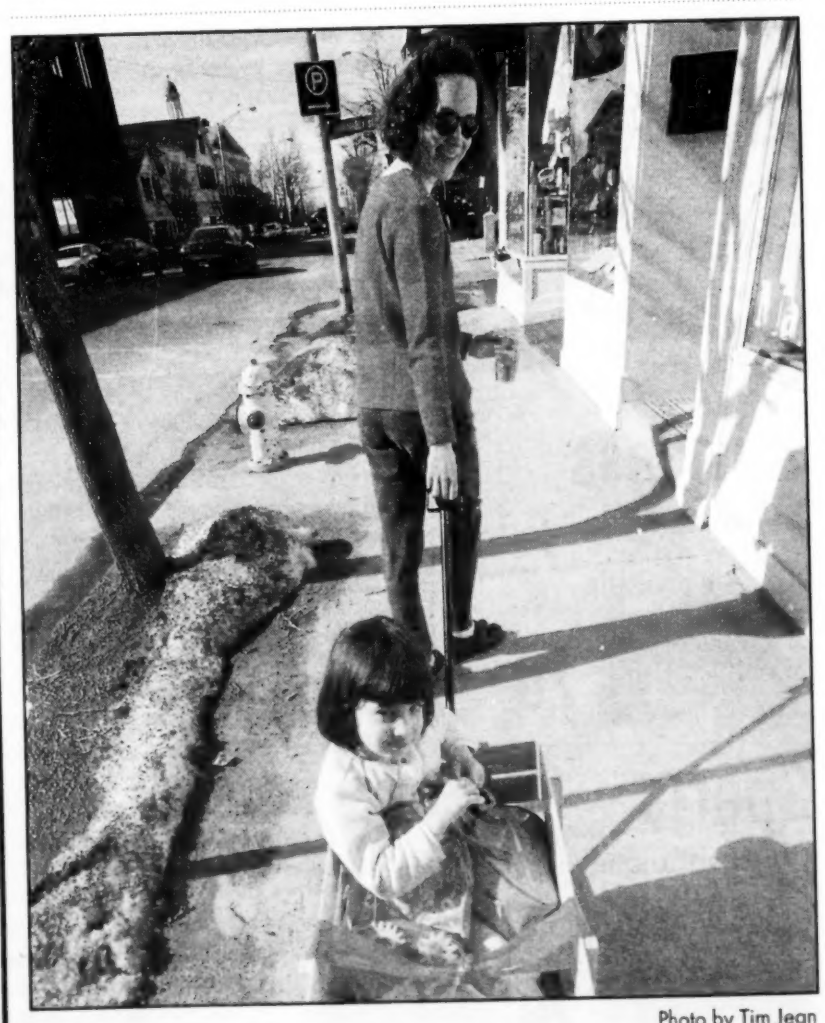

Photo by Tim Jean

Spring fever, briefly — Cathy Vrountas and her daughters Sarah and Anna (not pictured) this week enjoyed the appearance of warmer weather, and ice-free sidewalks.

News In Brief

Representatives' hours

State Rep. Barry R. Finegold (D-Andover) will be holding office hours in Andover on Thursday, March 29 from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the Andover Senior Center.

He will also be available at Starbucks, 14 Main St., on that day from 6 to 7 p.m.

State Rep. David Nangle will be holding office hours in Andover today, Thursday, March 22 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library.

Nangle will answer questions and concerns of Andover residents who live in precinct 5.

In town: cholesterol test, mini-health clinics

The Andover Board of Health will be holding cholesterol screening clinics on Wednesday, March 28 from 9 a.m. until noon. An appointment is necessary. The clinic is for Andover residents only.

The simple finger-stick test for total cholesterol costs $5 and does not require fasting. For an appointment, call the health department at 623-8295.

The Andover Health Department will offer a mini health clinics on Monday, March 26 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle.

Senior Center clinics will be held on Wednesdays, including March 21 and 28, from 2 to 3 p.m. No appointment is necessary. For more information, call the health department at 623-8230.

Seeking more money for safety center

Selectmen voted to recommend approval Monday night for $235,000 to fund a contingency for the safety-center project.

The Town Meeting article is part of more than $500,000 requested by the plant and facilities department to spend on safety-center construction and town-yard maintenance this year.

The safety-center project is already costing the town $12.9 million, but that price is $168,000 short of what it will cost to furnish the center, says Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantedosi. In addition, he needs to tack on an extra $135,000 for the purchase and installation of the building's security system.

The town is currently in a dispute with general contractor Mello over whether the security system was included in the original agreement.

"It's unknown at this time whether the town will prevail on that item," says Piantedosi. The extra funds will cushion the worst-case scenario, he says.

A second plant and facilities article requests $300,000 for emergency repairs at the town yard, located between Pearson and Lewis Streets. Officials have spent years searching unsuccessfully for a new site, and have delayed making repairs on the dilapidated buildings in the process. Now Piantedosi says he can't wait any longer.

Off the beaten track

Due to weather conditions, the Andover High School field house will be closed to walkers to allow the school's teams time to practice their sports in the evening. The athletic department says the indoor track will open April 2.

Correction

The e-mail address published in the events calendar for former *Townsman* editor Perry Colmore should have read <perryc@mediaone.net>. Colmore is the author of *The Book on Hope*.

Web question

Last week's *Townsman* Web-site question was: Recently, town officials floated the idea of asking residents for a general override of Proposition 2 1/2 as a way of accommodating school budget needs. As a town resident, would you consider voting to approve a general override of Proposition 2 1/2 if one were requested at April's Annual Town Meeting?

Of 42 respondents, more than two thirds, or 29, said, "I would not even consider it. The town needs to control its spending, and so do the schools." Three people said, "I would not consider it this year, but I might consider it next year when we need to open the new schools." No one selected "I would consider it this year to avoid having to have one next year," but 10 people, almost a quarter, said, "I would consider it, because I value the level of service this town provides and I am willing to pay for it."

This week's question is:

Do you support using money that was going to be set aside to open the new schools, to pay for this year's requested school budget increase?

To vote, surf over to <www.andover-townsman.com>.

Quote, unquote . . .

"It's a decision that's going to have to wait."

Superintendent Claudia Bach on the question of "grandfathering" students who would be redistricted to a new school for only one year before moving to middle or high school. (Story, page 11)

"It's definitely a question of fairness."

Youth Services Director Bill Fahey, commenting on the fact that seniors may receive more public funding for their project, while Andover Youth Foundation continues to ask for all private funds. (Story, page 17.)

"That's why we're in the position we're in – to make hard decisions."

Selectmen Chairman Brian Major, stating that he hopes the board will take a second look at the Board of Health's warrant article that aims to ban smoking in all Andover restaurants. (Story, page 4)

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Commission on Disabilities, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

Andover Housing Authority, 100 Morton St., 7 p.m.

Ballardvale Task Force, Town Offices, third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 23

Selectmen sub-committee on senior center, Town Offices, third-floor conference room, 4 p.m.

Monday, March 26

Board of Appeals, continued public hearing, Memorial Hall Library, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

Selectmen, Town Offices, third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m. *Televised.*

Planning Board, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 28

Selectmen, Town Offices, third-floor conference room, 6 p.m., **joint meeting with Finance Committee** to follow. *Televised.*

Zoning Board of Appeals, Memorial Hall Library, second-floor, 7 p.m.

Redistricting Task Force, School Committee room, 7:30 p.m.

Ballardvale/Lowell Junction Task Force, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 29

Government Review Committee, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

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Selectmen can't agree to snuff out smoking

By Rebecca Piro

Selectmen are not yet ready to shut smoking out of Andover restaurants.

Selectmen approval for a controversial Town Meeting article – including a smoking ban for all restaurants in Andover – fell one vote short Monday night.

If passed at Town Meeting, the article would mandate new licenses for tobacco retailers, increase fines for tobacco sale violations, do away with cigarette vending machines, require retailers to post phone numbers for people wanting to report violations, and eliminate a variance that previously allowed restaurants to have closed-off smoking sections.

This last measure would eliminate smoking in restaurants completely. The Park Street Pub, the lone bar-only establishment in town, would become the only smoking establishment left.

"We want to do away with the variance because it's unfair to others who can't physically, possibly meet the requirements of the variance; employee health is as important as customer health; and we believe that's what the people of Andover really want," said Penney.

Penney presented a survey of 740 residents in which the majority disapproved of smoking in restaurants. But Grill 93 manager Ronnie Sava protested that the term "restaurant" doesn't fit every food establishment in town.

"We have a restaurant, but we do functions, weddings, (we have) a comedy club and a sports lounge," he said. "I'm completely in favor of non-smoking in a dining room. But comedy clubs throughout the US have smoking," he said.

Justin's owner Dhemar Schnellinger added that banning smoking in all restaurants here will do nothing but move patrons out of town.

"If I would believe that even one person would stop smoking because of these implementations, I would help you," she said. "But I just believe they will go to the surrounding communities and smoke there."

Selectman Lori Becker said she was unable to vote because she thinks there should be discretion between a restaurant and a nightclub to address the Grill 93's situation. Selectman Mary French expressed concern that not all of the restaurant owners were contacted for the Board of Health hearings on the warrant article.

Selectman John Hess stated strong support for Penney's case, but Selectman Ted Teichert said he sympathized with the restaurant owners who spent money constructing an enclosed smoking area to acquire the variance.

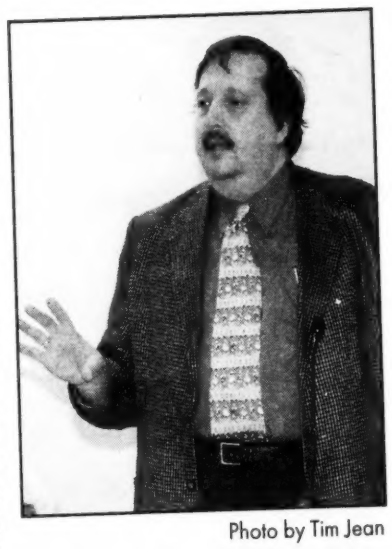
"You don't have to go into that particular restaurant (where there's smoking)," he said. "You can go to another one. I feel for the business owners that have made some changes."

The selectmen agreed on the first three parts of the article, but disagreement on the variance prevented a vote of recommendation. Selectmen Chairman Brian Major and Hess voted in favor of recommending the article for approval, French and Becker abstained, and Teichert voted against. The board will take up the issue again after more consideration, said Major.

"I would certainly hope that we would take a stand," he said. "That's why we're in the position we're in – to make hard decisions."

'Employee health is as important as customer health, and we believe (a smoking ban in all restaurants) is what the people of Andover really want.'

Everett Penney, health director



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Ronnie Sava, general manager of Grill 93, says people should be allowed to smoke in his nightclub, which is separated from his restaurant area.

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Override for next year?

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million cost of opening the new elementary and middle schools in fiscal year 2003. Major repeatedly opposed tampering with the fund.

"If we get rid of it next year," said Major, "we're gambling that we can get an override next year. We'll need that override to open the schools, and if we don't get it, we don't open the schools without doing something drastic (i.e., cutting staff positions). Personally, I don't gamble, and I won't gamble with the taxpayers' money. The capacity to open those new schools has got to be in our regular budget."

"We'll open the schools," said Selectman Mary French, "but we'll be looking at adding people this year and then cutting them next year."

Without using the stabilization fund, and without reducing badly needed staffing requests for both town and schools, members were hard-pressed to come up with the money; proposals to use all of the $350,000 excess levy capacity, increase by $200,000 the estimate of state aid schools can expect to receive, and cutting capital improvement funds (including those for sidewalk reconstruction) by $300,000 still left a $600,000 shortfall.

"I just need to clarify my position that I don't agree with funding the stabilization fund below about $500,000," said Major.

"And you would get the money where?" asked Finance Committee Chair Joanne Marden.

"I would cut budgets," replied Major.

"You say we need to cut budgets," said Girdwood. "You're talking about (the school department's) budget."

"Yes," said Major. However, Major was also the only task force member to continue to hold out the option of asking residents for an override this year.

"I agree with you that there are positions that we desperately need to keep up with growth, both for the town and the schools," said Major to Girdwood. "But if we don't have the dollars, that makes the argument, and I'll back it 120 percent, that we need to go to Town Meeting for an override."

No one else took up that argument, but it was generally agreed that without an override this year, having to ask for one next year is virtually guaranteed. The question would be for what specific purpose and for how much.

The Finance Committee met to discuss the budget Wednesday night after *Townsman* deadline. The selectmen plan to discuss the budget on Monday night, and the School Committee may convene a meeting the same night to discuss its budget. All of these meetings are open to the public. The Finance Committee's report on Town Meeting will go to press on Tuesday with hard budget numbers in it, but the three boards will continue working on the budget until Town Meeting opens on April 23.

Mart appeals suspension

Tobacco fight

By Adam Groff

The Board of Health last Monday stood by its decision to suspend for three days the retail food license at the Express Mart on Railroad Avenue, as punishment for a third tobacco violation last year. The decision is pending review by town counsel.

Raees Pervaiz of Burlington, owner of the convenience store, appeared before the board with his lawyer on March 12 to appeal the decision, which was taken in December after Pervaiz was cited on Nov. 13 for selling tobacco to minors. He was cited for the same offense twice in 1999, and the health board suspended his food license for one day.

Under current town regulations, violations of the bylaws governing the sale of tobacco are punishable by a $50 fine for the first offense, a $100 fine for the second offense and every offense thereafter, and "suspension of any license issued by the Board of Health."

"The notice that they filed of the intention to suspend (Pervaiz') license we believe did not comply with Massachusetts regulations," said attorney Jack Little of North Andover. "We also believe that the right to suspend one's food service license is limited to remedial actions for the purpose of correcting some violation, and that the license can only be suspended for as long as it takes to correct the violation. It's remedial in nature, not punitive in nature."

"The Board of Health heard the evidence, closed the hearing, and is of the opinion that the order is valid," said Health Director Everett Penney. "We're in consultation with town counsel to work out whether and when we can do that (suspend the license)." Town Counsel Tom Urbelis could not be reached for comment.

Pervaiz said he estimates that losing his retail food license for three days would cost him about $4,500. Penney and the Board of Health have filed a warrant article for April's Town Meeting that proposes, among other things, establishing a local tobacco license that can be revoked for violations of tobacco bylaws.

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Selectmen take no stand on article seeking change

Resident: Officials 'deny rights'

Resident Dennis Teves believes he has the selectmen right where he wants them – with their hands tied behind their backs.

Teves, a resident of Mohawk Road, submitted a private article last January that he hopes will force officials to keep the warrant open until it's actually signed.

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Right now, selectmen close the warrant in mid-January, but do not actually sign it until the end of February. In between, officials will refuse any additional warrant articles – something Teves sees as a violation of citizens' First Amendment rights to petition the government.

Teves' article asks "to see if the town will vote to empower the selectmen to deny the First Amendment rights of Andover citizens to petition, by refusing to accept or insert private articles before they sign the warrant."

In other words, Teves paints a vote endorsing the selectmen's practice of refusing warrant articles as a vote against the First Amendment. If the town rejects the article, Teves believes the vote will forbid officials from continuing with their current practice.

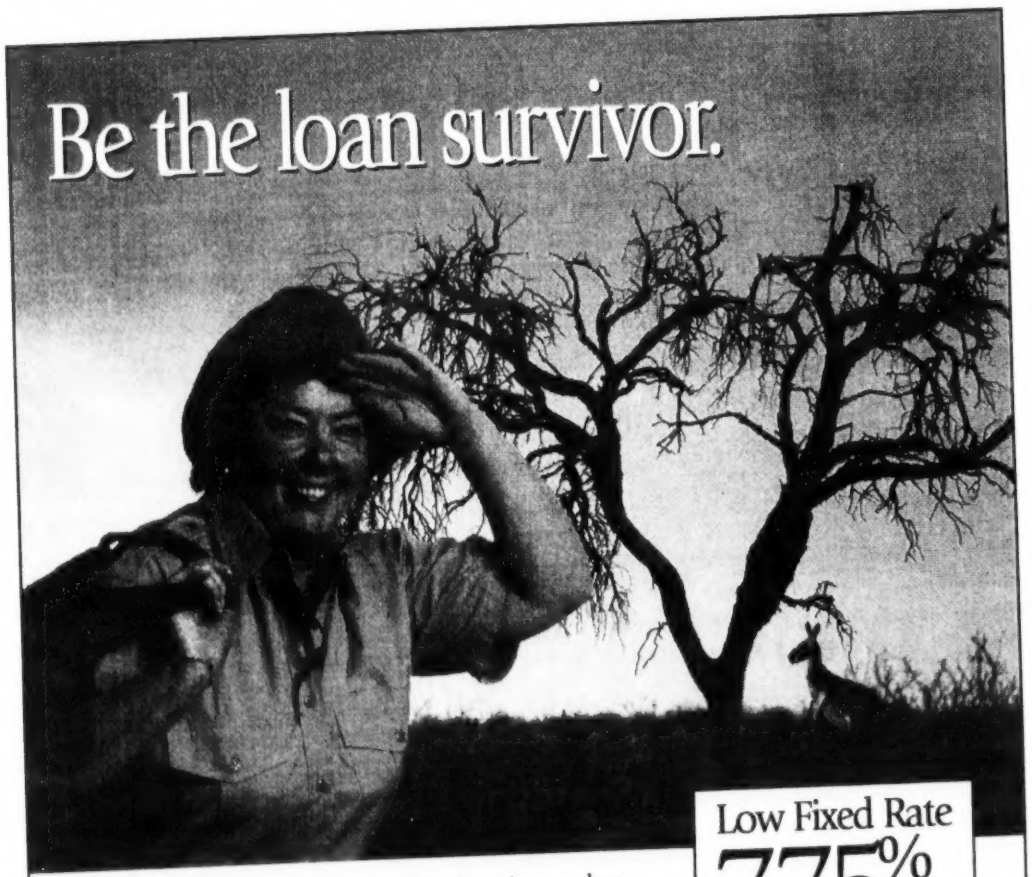
Selectmen usually vote on whether to support warrant articles before Town Meeting. But Monday night, the board agreed not to take any position on Teves' article.

"We're not alone," said Selectmen Chairman Brian Major, referring to the practice of closing the warrant weeks before signing it. "This is standard in many communities."

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski told the board that the warrant could not possibly be closed any later, because he needs the time to verify financial figures in the articles. Plus, the warrant is officially opened in November of the previous year – plenty of time for residents to get a jump start on submitting articles, he said.

"It works well for us," said Stapczynski. "I don't think it inconveniences the public."

—Rebecca Piro



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Debate shows candidates' differences

By Rebecca Piro

What to do about Nickel Hill, affordable housing, and the $1.1 million shortfall for next year's school-recommended budget are some of the tougher issues on which voters will judge the selectmen candidates at the Annual Town Election Tuesday, March 27.

The three candidates – former School Committee member Tim McCarron, resident Ray Hender and incumbent Selectman John Hess – widened the gaps between them regarding their stances on issues asked of them at last Thursday's League of Women Voters debate at Memorial Hall library.

Only one candidate offered a solution in terms of accounting for the $1.1 million shortfall regarding the school department's requests for the fiscal year 2002 budget. McCarron suggested cutting town employee positions; Hender gave a more vague reply, suggesting cutting "non-discretionary spending; and Hess said he didn't know where to cut the budget. Hess is a member of the town's Strategic Planning Task Force that met Tuesday to find an answer to that question.

Candidates also considered how to deal with the need for more affordable housing in town, despite several comprehensive permit applications for what a questioner called "overly-dense" projects currently on the table.

Hess said the projects currently on the table are not necessarily affordable. He would like to see some developers "scale back" the size of the projects, and suggested that some homes the town may be taking for unpaid taxes in the near future could be some potential sites for affordable housing.

Hender suggested making all the units affordable in a given project. "There is no reason why a developer can't come forward with a project filled with 100-percent affordable units," rather than the normal 25 percent with the rest at market rate, he said.

McCarron, stating that he sees a need for affordable housing in

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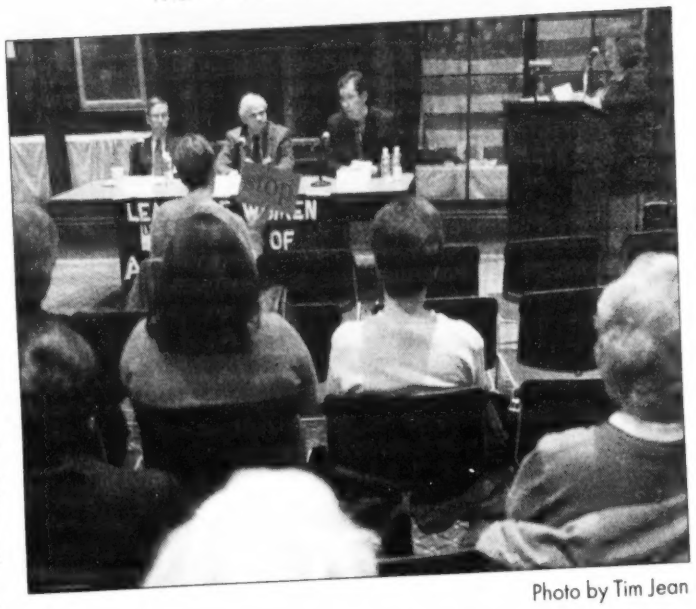

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Selectmen's race — Residents listen to the three candidates at last Thursday's League debate.

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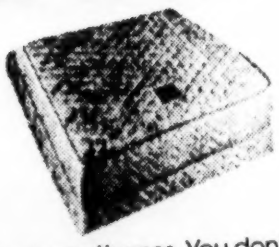

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Future is now

Andover is in need of strong leadership. That's why – even though there is only one contested race on the ballot this year – residents must flock to the polls March 27.

Voters will elect two people to the five-member Board of Selectmen, the board most responsible for providing the town with direction. If these two selectmen do their job well, they will influence significantly whether Andover:

• continues expanding its services, pushes for an override and drives more long-time residents out of Andover, or

• disappoints sizable segments of the population by refusing to provide some desired services and projects.

The choices won't be easy, but they must be made. This is why voters must elect the two candidates they believe are most likely to see the big picture, and have the strength to make unpopular decisions.

The challengers seem most likely to fill that role. Ray Hender can use his financial background to set and fund budget priorities. His experience also can help Andover avoid poorly thought-out decisions, such as the selectmen's decision to recommend a massive sewer-expansion project before deciding on the most equitable way to fund it. His detail-oriented personality also will complement fellow challenger Tim McCarron's shoot-from-the-hip approach.

But if McCarron can live up to his promise of working together with others, and avoid grandstanding, he will help lead. He's shown the most willingness of the three candidates to state his beliefs, despite the consequences. He should help prod the current board into taking action on items they've avoided for too long.

With the large projects currently underway or proposed, and the prospect of an override, selectmen cannot continue to be sidetracked with dog-bite-level discussions. The town needs people who not only take part in discussions, but also take action. McCarron and Hender should swing the board in a new direction.

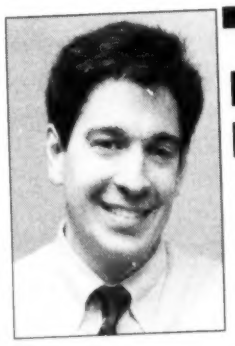
But strong leadership will begin in the voting booth. Town residents must look at the candidates' responses in this issue and others, show up at the polls and make a choice that reflects what they want for Andover. They also must make a stand at Town Meeting.

Both those who feel strongly about restraining the ever-growing budget, and those who want more funds for education or other projects can't just wait for others to lead. They must also act themselves – starting Tuesday, March 27. Andover's future depends on it.

Photo by Tim Jean

A sure sign of spring — Andover kids, in this case Billy Shaheen (left) and Jay Scully, ride 'boards in the lot behind Old Town Hall.

Do the arts play second fiddle? Judge



Neil Fater

We hear the complaint frequently from students and parents. *Andover ignores the arts.*

Young actors (and actors' parents), band members (and band parents) believe the arts kids are given far less respect in town than the kids who excel at sports. You can see that argument made in our Arts & Entertainment section this week *(page 19)*.

It's an argument I have trouble buying completely. Andover has a number of wonderful arts programs both for people to watch and join. Few high schools have a stage as wonderful as the Collins Center.

When I went to Andover High, I played pick-up basketball every day, but my main after-school activity was acting. I performed in nine Andover High productions during my three years there. (Yes, I'm so old it was only a three-year school then.) I never felt like a second-class student.

But there's a good reason some kids and parents believe the arts are slighted. The town does send the signal that the arts play second fiddle to sports in a number of ways.

Don't believe it? Take a look at the Andover High School construction project. That alone ought to convince anyone.

When Andover invested in a massive renovation and expansion job, just about the only area that didn't see notable improvement was the Collins Center for the Arts.

Although the center was receiving next-to-no upgrades, it was still closed down. Its stage – the one that once hosted everyone from the Boston Pops to Mel Torme to David Copperfield – was used to store equipment. Construction trailers lined the grass near its entrance.

Meanwhile, the workers who used those trailers were refitting Dunn Gym with a new fitness room, and building an entire, new field house. In other words, the arts center was being allowed to deteriorate, but the school would soon have two gyms.

In addition, most of the large parking lot next to the Collins Center, meant to attract people to drama, music and band performances, was moved. It's now next to that new field house.

What's in place of the former Collins Center parking? A baseball field. I'm sure you get the picture.

Andover certainly does not ignore the arts, nor its fine-arts students. But its easy to see why its actions indicate to many that providing for these students is a second priority.

Photo by Tim Jean

***The Murders at Argos* plays this weekend. See page 21.**

Neil Fater is the editor of the Andover Townsman. *E-mail: <nfater@andovertownsman.com>.*

Letters

A scorned taxpayer

Editor, *Townsman:*

I'm writing in agreement with Mr. Don Stidsen regarding the job done – actually not done – by Andover's highway maintenance department on the town's sidewalks.

Mr. Stidsen is correct when he says, "I'm sure that other areas are also still in similar situations." The sidewalk on River Street in Ballardvale was not cleared until the morning of March 19 – a full two weeks after the nor'easter.

I called the highway maintenance department four times over the past two weeks, pointing out the public safety hazard of people walking in the street to the Ballardvale train station. Since no one ever answered the phone, all four times I was forced to leave a voice mail asking when River Street's sidewalk would be plowed. I never received the courtesy of a return call. Apparently the highway maintenance department has better things to do than be responsive to taxpayers' questions. When I called the town manager's office on Thursday, March 15, I was assured that the sidewalk would be cleared by the end of day on Friday. It was not.

It is unconscionable that the Andover town administrators let the sidewalks be unplowed for such an extended period of time. With the highway maintenance department being leisurely about making our sidewalks usable, it is clear to me they figure no one will notice that they are not doing their job. I, for one, have noticed, and can hardly wait for the Town Meeting so I can vote to cut their budget. Hell hath no fury like a taxpayer scorned.

Ginny Creese
River Street

Budget says it's not the time to consider all-day kindergarten

Editor, *Townsman:*

I wonder if anyone else was struck by the incongruity of two articles in last week's *Townsman*? I refer to the announcement that there may be a pilot program of all-day kindergarten next year in the same issue with the headline, "Tax Increase Eyed for Schools." I have serious concerns with the advisability of piloting all-day kindergarten next year as Andover's schools are dealing with a very real, very immediate cash crunch.

With children in grades 10, 8, 5 and 1, I am in a rare position to see the staffing and curriculum needs at all levels of the school system. Unfortunately, the gloomy picture painted by our school administrators and School Committee members is not exaggerated. Fortunately, the space crunch will be addressed as the new schools come on line. Class sizes are becoming unwieldy, the curriculum does indeed need to be updated in order to align itself with the MCAS guidelines, and the high school staff's needs, in particular, are enormous if we wish to pride ourselves on the competitive quality of our high school. Which brings me to my point: There should be a huge, thick line between the "must haves" and the "it would be nice to haves."

I realize that there is a blossoming political movement to provide all-day kindergarten. Apparently, there are studies that show there are benefits to all-day kindergarten versus the half-day kindergarten with which most of us are familiar. I am unmoved for two main reasons. First, call me jaded and cynical, but experience and wisdom have shown me that there are studies available to support just about any point of view on any subject. Sometimes I am amused and sometimes I am angered by the same set of results being twisted to support two opposing views. Secondly, my own anecdotal study (my four children) has led me to believe that half-day kindergarten is the perfect transition from preschool to "real" school. I am also troubled when I hear about the inconvenience of half-day kindergarten for parents. True, half-day kindergarten is a scheduling nightmare. My own children have been known to do the lap back to school on the bus because I was unable to be home or have someone here in time for the bus. However, should a parent's convenience really enter into the argument over what education is best for our children? All this notwithstanding, if we lived in a utopian world where money was no object, it would be interesting to give all-day kindergarten a try with an eye toward providing it as an option for interested parents.

The argument will be made that next year's pilot program is costing the town nothing. True, not next year. However, let me make a prediction. Next year, as the budget is being debated, and funds need to be allocated for all-day kindergarten or else have the program cut, the parents who have participated in the pilot program will write heartfelt letters outlining the positive impact the program has had on their children. I have no doubt that this will be the case because, after all, we have outstanding teachers and administrators who will be overseeing the pilot. An emotional debate will ensue and the program will stay, at the expense of something else. A chill goes through me at the thought of even one teacher being cut, or not added, because of this program. Make no mistake, all-day kindergarten is a frill at this point; staffing is not a frill, it's a bare bones, crux of the system, necessity.

Again, I'm surmising, but I suspect that more than one shiver went up Andoverites' spines at the reporting that a Proposition 2½ override is being "floated." I worry that the citizens of Andover might not take seriously the stretching of the school budget with the announcement that we're introducing a new program of debatable merit. The timing seems all wrong.

Carolyn Hanson
Spring Grove Road

From the heartland, looking for answers

Editor, *Townsman:*

I am in the fifth grade at Northeast Elementary in Kearney, Nebraska.

I have adopted your state as a class project. I will be doing a report and other projects in which I will give information about your state's history, economy, culture, physical region, and climate. Then in May, my class is having a "States' Fair." I will display and report everything I have learned. I am writing in hopes of getting some postcards that will help me report about your state.

I have not visited your state, and decided to pick it for my school project.

I hope your readers can help with my project. I will write the newspaper again in May if you would like and let you know how everything went on our state day. Thanks for your help.

Stephen Heaton
Northeast Elementary School
Mr. Haas's class
910 East 34th St.
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Let them plow

Editor, *Townsman:*

In response to the article with last week's police log ("2 a.m. is too early to plow"), I am surprised that there is a law against plowing before 7 a.m. It has always been my understanding that it is my responsibility to get myself to my job in Boston (Massachusetts General Hospital) at 6:30 a.m. so that the hospital does not have to close operating rooms.

Jane Ballantyne, MD
88 Central St.

Time for a choice

Editor, *Townsman:*

Citizens of Andover:

We should be proud of our schools. We have graduated many fine students in Andover, we have many dedicated teachers, and we have invested in the maintenance of our buildings. But I think we need to look deeper.

We have students who need remedial help in the summer so they can pass the MCAS tests, and we have students who want to take a full load of courses at Andover High School but we don't have enough courses or teachers.

We should provide more staff development for our teachers if we expect them to remain current in their subject matter and teaching techniques. With a teacher shortage nationwide, we need to consider how we recruit teachers, how our teacher salaries compete in the job market, what we do to retain our best teachers, and the quality of our mentoring program for our new teachers.

Andover pays more each year for the special needs of our students educated in-district, as well as the students placed out-of-district. New textbooks and library books are critical.

I think our schools are well managed. We try to plan for the future the best we can. We have a five-year plan. The question is: will we fund it, given the fiscal realities of the town?

I think the time has come for Andover to decide: will we continue to fund our schools at the current level; or will we try to address these growing needs?

The school budget is an integral part of the town budget and I have great respect for the needs of the town. This issue of the level of funding for our schools is indeed a town issue that we all should address.

The School Committee and the Superintendent will work with the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and the Strategic Planning Task Force to find a resolution to our current budget dilemma as we prepare for Town Meeting.

Tina Girdwood
Tucker Road
Andover School Committee

Seniors need space, Will Hall has it

Editor, *Townsman:*

A number of years ago I retired and, probably like a lot of people, I had not planned very well for my retirement. So I caught up on my reading, did a few chores around the house and watched a lot of TV.

One day I happened to see the senior center news in the *Townsman* and it said that a woodcarving class was starting up at the center. I had a little experience with carving but wanted to learn more. And learn I did. The group was primarily carving birds and to date I've finished six.

But the story goes further. The more I went to the center, the more I learned about all of the activities and services offered there: the blood-pressure clinics, skin-cancer screenings, many different exercise classes and services, like the fix-it shop, meals on wheels, senior connections, medical drivers, and hosted trips.

The Andover Senior Center is a very valuable resourse for the town and could offer more and better services right now if space were available. Supporters have donated many items over the years but the center has no room to utilize these donations, so they are in

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storage. For example there is a full woodworking shop which could allow the fix-it-shop people to do work on site and operate more frequently. There is also at least one pool table and many other items which require permanent space if they are to be useful. Presently almost every activity must be set up before and cleared out after it has finished its allotted time slot.

Resources are being wasted just as the town's active senior population is rising. The center is in dire need of more space for people as well as equipment, and it would appear that Will Hall is the answer.

Terry Crossfield
8 Pleasant St.

Pocket protector

Editor, *Townsman:*

As the redistricting committee winds up its options for presentation to the School Committee, I am asking the question: what benefit will the new school be to my family? Sadly, I come up with few positive benefits and quite a few negatives.

My three children are being asked to leave the school they have been a part of for seven years, our connection to the uptown community is changing, and we are expected to reestablish ourselves in the West Andover community, in which we do not live. If we had some input regarding these changes, perhaps the hardships would be lessened.

There exists a large population of residents who are not being affected by the redistricting options. Many are unaware of the changes. Those in this group should take a moment to relish their good fortune. Groups, if any, who have successfully opposed redistricting of their neighborhoods should be congratulated on a job well done. For those in my family's situation, who are being swept up in a wave taking them further away from goals set, instead of closer, my hope is that the School Committee will validate our concerns and leave our "pocket 22" in the Doherty Middle School community with 141 other students relocating from Bancroft School to West Elementary School. Otherwise the area know as "pocket 22" will always be at the mercy of changing times. This area was redistricted in 1995 from West El to Bancroft and now back from Bancroft to West. What will happen five to seven years from now? Will the pendulum swing again for our neighborhood?

Residents in the new school district can look forward to two new schools and the arrival of two respected principals, Norah McCarthy and Brenda O'Brien, both of whom I have had the pleasure of dealing with at Bancroft School. Most residents of the South, Sanborn, and Bancroft districts will enjoy the smaller classroom size and will reclaim space currently occupied by classrooms needed to a commodate the overflow. Our hope is that West Elementary will also benefit, allowing the overall target numbers to come in lower than projected in several of the options.

Sheila Centrella
High Street

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Education

School Committee wants all the options laid out on redistricting

By Adam Groff

The Redistricting Task Force now has one more meeting to convene after March 28, at the request of the School Committee.

The task force is scheduled to hold a public hearing April 4 concerning its final elementary- and middle-school redistricting options, and then on April 10 the group will formally present the options to the School Committee for consideration. On May 8, the School Committee will vote to select one elementary- and one middle-school option, which will go into effect when the new schools at Cross Street and High Plain Road open in 2002.

But at the School Committee meeting on March 13, members asked Gerald Gustus, the School Committee representative on the task force, for some assistance in making its decision.

"I think we need as much input from you people as possible," said committee member Dick Collins to Gustus, and the other members agreed. They asked Gustus to convene another Redistricting Task Force meeting after the public hearing and before the presentation to the School Committee to compile a list of pros and cons for each option to help guide the committee in making its decision. Options will be considered based on criteria such as even population distribution, transportation routes, and child safety.

Gerald Gustus, Committee representative

Claudia Bach, Superintendent of schools

Currently, there are four redistricting options for middle schools and five for elementary schools. On March 28, the task force will consider all the options one last time, and potentially eliminate one or more of them before the public hearing. Gustus has said that the April 4 hearing is not intended as a time to make changes to the options, provoking some parents at the last task force meeting to ask what the point of the hearing is. Similar considerations led to the School Committee's suggestion.

"I think if you could schedule a meeting with the idea that who knows what will come out of this hearing, it would give you a chance to be reflective," said School Committee Chair Tina Girdwood.

"I can only say to you that these options were not conjured up last night to the amazement of all," said Gustus. He said that the task force has been receiving public input all the way through the process, and task force meetings have always been packed.

"Even though you've publicized these meetings, there will be people at (the public hearing) who will say, 'I didn't even know this was happening,'" said Superintendent Claudia Bach.

Gustus agreed to schedule one more task force meeting, and on Friday he said it would probably be on April 9.

"We're trying to respect the fact that it's this board's decision," said Gustus at the School Committee meeting. "We (the Redistricting Task Force) are not the decision-makers."

The 10 task force meetings that have been held since last October in the School Committee room have been open to the public, but the hearing on April 4 from 7 to 10 p.m. is designed to accommodate a larger audience. School Committee members are also expected to attend the hearing.

The subject of "grandfathering" also came up at the School Committee meeting, where the term was defined as allowing a rising fifth- or eighth-grade student who would otherwise be redistricted to remain at his or her school for that final year.

"I'm quite inclined to say let's look at it, at least," said Superintendent Claudia Bach, while cautioning that it might not be possible if overcrowding in those grades would become an issue.

In light of the difficulty in projecting future populations in redrawn districts, Business Manager Bernie Tuttle said, "The earliest we could entertain such a thought would be March of 2002."

After much discussion about the possibility of allowing grandfathering, it was agreed that, as Bach said, "It's a decision that's going to have to wait."

Simms staying put

West Middle School Principal Vicki Simms will not be leaving to take a principal position at Dover-Sherborn Middle School. Simms had been a finalist for the position in the regional school district west of Boston, but she said on Tuesday that she was ultimately not selected.

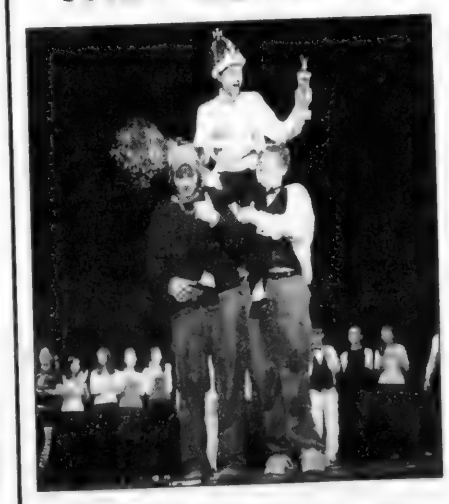
"It looks like it's not going to work out," she said, "but I'm in a good position either way."

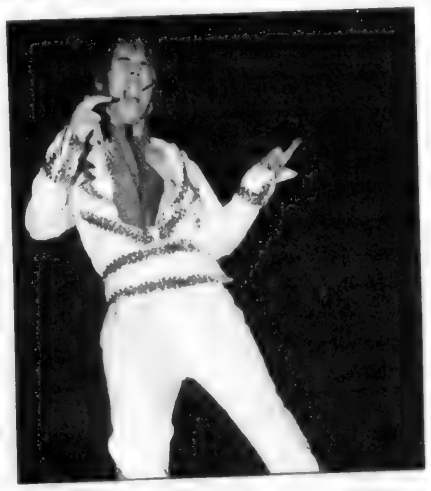
Simms, principal at West Middle for the past six years, had said she was interested in the position because it would put her closer to her family.

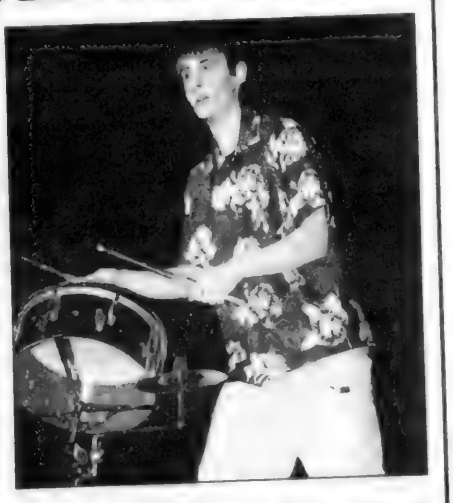
Clarification on last week's all-day kindergarten story

On March 15, the *Townsman* printed that Shawsheen School will have an all-day kindergarten option for the next school year ("Shawsheen School gets a pilot program," page 11). The one section of all-day kindergarten that Shawsheen has planned, however, is contingent upon a number of factors, including enrollment numbers that will not be known until July. If enrollment is too high, the program will not go forward. Parents submitting their name in the lottery for a seat in the all-day kindergarten section should be sure to register their children for the regular half-day program in case they are not selected or in case the all-day section is not offered.

They competed to be Mr. Andover High 2001

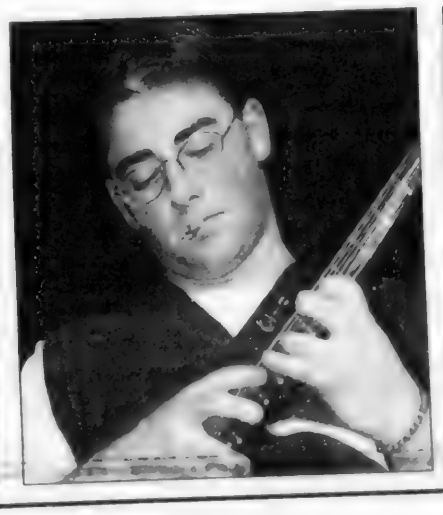






As Mr. Andover High, Eric Giordano, is carried triumphantly on stage last Friday, March 16, by Peter Loring and Andy Voorhees, runners-up included (from top middle) Jack Eskin, Adam Rodger; (bottom row, from left) Oliver Johnson, Adam Edelstein, and Travis Doucette.

Photos by Tim Jean



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WHAT'S UP

Local 8th-grader wins award at film festival premiere

A Doherty Middle School eighth-grader earned top honors at a recent film festival sponsored by Merrimack College.

The Tambakos Film Festival attracted about 30 entrants who submitted original video productions.

Matt McDermitt received the $100 Award for Excellence prize for his 15-minute film about a little dog who decided he wanted to know what it felt like to be free from his leash. The submission was titled *The Hollow*.

Matt McDermitt

McDermitt, son of Dave and Mary Ellen McDermitt of Balmoral Street, is very interested in photography and film. He first picked up a camera when he was 6 and started making movies shortly after that.

His was one of three winning entries screened at the festival's awards ceremony last week.

Other local winners included Ted Gesing of Andover, who goes to school in Texas.

This was the first film and video competition hosted by Merrimack College. The festival is named in memory of Demosthenes Peter Tambakos, a 1974 Merrimack graduate who was an aspiring screenwriter at the time of his accidental death. Tambakos' friend, George Furth, a Tony-award winning playwright/actor, established an endowment at Merrimack in honor of Tambakos.

A Night of Hypnotic Delight

By Emmy Morrison
Andover Youth Council

Has something been missing in your life but you just can't seem to put your finger on it? Let the Andover Youth Council assist you in finding that chunk of your mind that has yet to be explored.

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The Old Town Hall's walls will be the only things holding back the madness from the streets of Andover. Tickets for students will be $8, and $15 for adults. However, extra donations are always greeted with open arms. Best of all, all of the proceeds will go to the Andover Youth Foundation to raise money for the youth center. Come let us loosen your screws a little. Plus, who knows, maybe this will get rid of the voices in your head.

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LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, March 26-30:

Elementary schools

Monday: Spaghetti & meatballs, chocolate chip pancakes, pizza stick with soft pretzel, carrots, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Two tacos, toasted cheese sandwich, slice of pizza, corn, pineapple, and milk.

Wednesday: Oven baked chicken, mozzarella sticks, hot dog, vegetarian beans, fruit, brownie, and milk.

Thursday: Nachos with taco meat and cheese, french toast sticks with sausage, cheeseburger, hash browns, pears, and milk.

Friday: Fun fish nuggets with fries, baked chicken nuggets, slice of pizza, salad with dressing, fresh fruit, Hoodsie, and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: American chop suey, Chicken McSchool, nachos with cheese sauce, salad, carrots, fruit, and milk.

Tuesday: Two taco Tuesday, baked chicken nuggets, two toasted cheese sandwiches, green beans, applesauce, and milk.

Wednesday: Meatball sub, mozzarella sticks, slice of pizza, potato puffs, fruit, brownie, and milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey dinner, Chicken McSchool, cheeseburger on a roll, corn, cranberry sauce, and milk.

Friday: Egg sandwich on a bagel, baked chicken nuggets, slice of pizza, salad, fruit, and milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Chicken fajita, spaghetti & meatballs, stuffed crust pizza, apples, oranges, veggie, and milk.

Tuesday: Two egg McMuffins, pasta Ilio Olio, stuffed crust pizza, fresh fruit, veggie, and milk.

Wednesday: Chicken and gravy over rice, rotini with marinara sauce, stuffed crust pizza, brownie, fruit, veggie, and milk.

Thursday: Chicken McSchool, spaghetti & meatballs, stuffed crust pizza, fresh fruit, veggie, and milk.

Friday: Fish and chips, rotini with marinara sauce, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie, chocolate pudding, and milk.

Menus subject to change.

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News

March 27 election pits Incumbent John Hess against challengers Ray Hender, Tim McCarron for two selectmen seats

CANDIDATES TACKLE 'TOWNSMAN' QUESTIONS

Tim McCarron

1. Do you support a general override of Proposition 2½? Why or why not? (100 words)

I agree with the selectmen chairman's position stated in last week's *Townsman*. I would add that it is for the people to decide this matter; the Board of Selectmen should not impose this upon them by raising residential tax rates. As a member of the Board of Selectmen, I will not vote to raise taxation. Let the townspeople decide by their vote. I will recommend the support of such an override but will not impose it upon the community. We, as a community, need to prioritize expenditures, cut where needed, and limit the growth of non-prioritized budgets.

2. The safety-center construction project is currently behind schedule and over-budget, as the Andover High project was. What should town officials do to prevent the new project from becoming "another High School job"? (75 words)

On the School Committee, I inherited the High School mess and became a member of the School Building Committee. A "failure to perform" clause is paramount to any successful contract. If breached, you find a new contractor. Mashpee, Mass. did this with their high school project. We did it at the same time, with the same contractor. They finished on time, under budget. You know how we fared. My experience will help this town save money.

3. Slowing development, preserving open space, creating playing fields and providing affordable housing are all goals of some residents. Considering the town's limited funds, which of these gets your top priority? Why? (50 words)

All have merit, however as someone who currently coaches our children in athletics, I know the pressing need for fields, courts, and ice! Working together we can find solutions. The town currently owns available land to expand the number of fields. As a selectman, I will move this question.

4. If you were on the TV hit *Survivor*, what skills would you bring? How far do you think you'd get? (25 words)

I'd provide the food (fish) and physical labor. I'd finish first or second. Hopefully that's a trend on Tuesday, March 27!

John Hess

1. Do you support a general override of Proposition 2½? Why or why not? (100 words)

The Strategic Task Force is reviewing all options with respect to the budget. If there is a way to provide needed services without an override, we should pursue it. However, because of the growth in the demand for services, particularly for special education and regular teachers, the town will need an override in the next two years or will face major layoff of employees. I will continue to work with the School Committee, Finance Committee, selectmen, and town/school administration to determine the best approach.

2. The safety-center construction project is currently behind schedule and over-budget, as the Andover High project was. What should town officials do to prevent the new project from becoming "another High School job"? (75 words)

The town is taking appropriate actions to keep the safety center on schedule. The contractor's bonding company has been notified, putting both on notice for potential penalties or termination. We should not hesitate to remove the contractor, if necessary. The low bid (through the public bidding process) was higher than the amount appropriated by Town Meeting. A contingency of $235,000 is requested from Town Meeting for furnishings or other items to complete the project.

3. Slowing development, preserving open space, creating playing fields and providing affordable housing are all goals of some residents. Considering the town's limited funds, which of these gets your top priority? Why? (50 words)

A priority for fiscal year '02 is to work with the Andover Housing Partnership Committee to get a set of strategies on housing. We need more playing fields now. Ongoing, continue to protect open space when we have the opportunity, including working with community groups with a similar mission.

4. If you were on the TV hit *Survivor*, what skills would you bring? How far do you think you'd get?

Skills: holding breath under water for a long time. If I hold my breath long enough they'll forget I'm there and never vote me off.

Ray Hender

1. Do you support a general override of Proposition 2½? Why or why not? (100 words)

For better or for worse, Proposition 2½ limits not only municipal taxation, but also municipal spending. By law, there are mechanisms that allow local governments the option to exceed the normal limits when the cost of municipal government and infrastructure improvements warrants taxation beyond the limits. Overriding Proposition 2½ is an option I support – *only* after all options for spending increases *and* spending cuts have been carefully considered, properly and fully communicated to the voters, and duly approved at Town Meeting.

Overrides should not be done on a routine basis, but periodically and prudently.

2. The safety-center construction project is currently behind schedule and over-budget, as the Andover High project was. What should town officials do to prevent the new project from becoming "another High School job"? (75 words)

For this question I draw upon my experience as a member of the current School Building Committee. A town-wide board of qualified individuals with broad, related interests and experience (and no personal agenda) could set priorities, monitor activity, and short-circuit potential problems. All town-sponsored, non-routine capital projects should be the beneficiaries of such a committee.

3. Slowing development, preserving open space, creating playing fields and providing affordable housing are all goals of some residents. Considering the town's limited funds, which of these gets your top priority? Why? (50 words)

My priorities would be to preserve open space and incorporate into appropriate open space an adequate number of playing fields. Development and affordable housing enhance a community, but place demands on municipal services and schools. We need to find an equitable way for such projects to be revenue neutral.

4. If you were on the TV hit *Survivor*, what skills would you bring? How far do you think you'd get? (25 words)

My methodical/analytical approach to situations might drive the rest of this adventurous group crazy. I would probably be voted out PDQ.

YES/NO QUESTIONS

The *Townsman* also asked the candidates the questions at right, asking for them to anwer only with yes, no or undecided.

ISSUE QUESTION	TIM MCCARRON	JOHN HESS	RAYMOND HENDER
Spend more than $3 million to buy the Reichhold land?	NO	YES	YES
Create playing fields at the Essex Gravel Pit?	YES	YES	YES
Match $2 million if the Friends group raises it for Will Hall?	NO	NO	NO
Ban smoking from all restaurant bars in Andover?	YES	YES	NO
Spend $150,000 for new Ballardvale "master plan" design?	YES	YES	YES

Candidates prepare for March 27

(Continued from page 1)

ty taxes as they are. "We have to be more stringent in spending," he says.

While the looming override issue may bring some taxpayers like Bedford to the polls, generally, one-race ballots lead to low turnouts.

Past turnouts for town-only elections have been very low, says Town Clerk Randy Hanson, but she adds that the number of people who are inspired to make the effort to vote is dependent on how hard the candidates work to attract them.

Last March, 15 percent of the registered voters cast a ballot in the annual election. In 1999, only 12 percent of the registered voters voted. "There's always going to be people that feel it's their responsibility to vote in the democratic process," she says.

Karen Sleeper of Chestnut Court is one them. She says she doesn't own a car because she can't afford one, but she'll be hopping the bus to Andover High on Tuesday to cast her vote. But with only a week to go, Sleeper says she isn't sure who she'll vote for.

"I will vote for (someone) if his agenda is not for the upper or middle-class, but the low income (people)," she says.

Sleeper, who is disabled, struggles with medical bills and the cost of putting her daughter through college. She says she isn't happy with all three candidates, and is afraid they'll spend town money frivolously.

Donna Chretien of Lovejoy Road will not say who her candidate picks are, but she is pleased with all three candidates for their current support regarding the youth center project. Each said they supported the effort at last Thursday's League of Women Voters' debate *(see debate stories, pages 7 and 16)*. She also approves of Hender's and McCarron's honesty after they admitted they couldn't respond to a question about town funds to fight the Nickel Hill power plant. "I respected that they said they didn't do their homework," she said.

Hess, going for his second full term, says he'll have supporters out in full force holding campaign signs. He says his priorities include maintaining the communication between residents and officials, planning ahead financially with the Strategic Planning Task Force, and recognizing volunteers on a regular basis.

"I'm trying to contact as many voters as I can before (Tuesday)," says Hess. "Yes, I think the turnout will be low, but I can't do much about it."

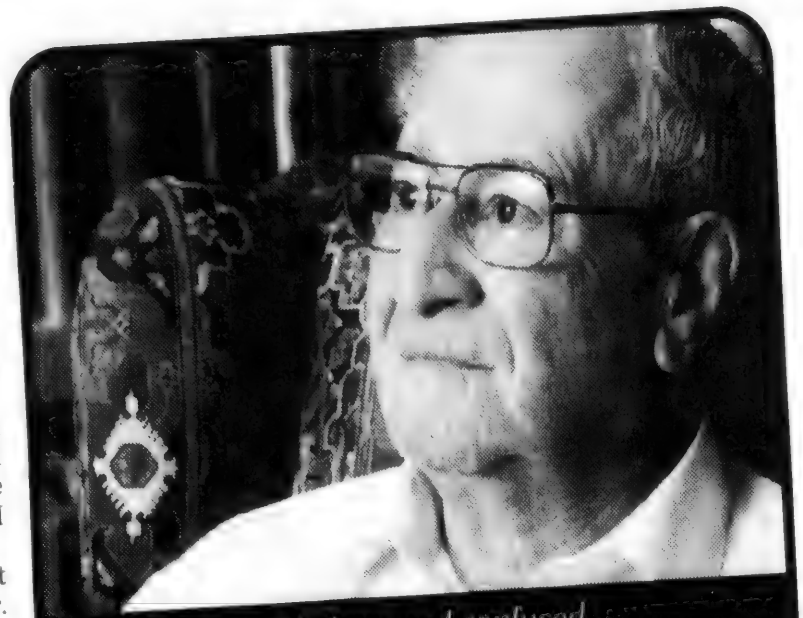
McCarron, who says his top priorities are seeing the safety center and new schools projects to resolution, also says he realizes that some of his stances on issues will turn off some voters.

"I believe very much in the things that I have put forth," he says. "I have fought as hard as I possibly can, and I will look at this as an experience that, regardless of outcome, I cherish."

"I have no predictions, but I feel confident," says Hender. With a background in financial management, Hender says his skills would help town government in issues like securing the $1.1 million extra the school department has requested, without sacrificing the town's current level of services. As for the first thing he plans to do if he's voted a selectman? "Take the oath of office, of course," he says.

Although they are not contested, other elected offices on the ballot are:

Moderator, one for one year, with James D. Doherty alone on the ballot; School Committee, two for three years, with Richard J. Collins and Tina Girdwood on the ballot; and Housing Authority, one for five years, with Ronald C Hajj running unopposed.



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Debate

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town, wants to see the projects scaled down.

In response to a question about how Andover's snow plowing can be improved, McCarron and Hess praised the town's performance. Hender called for more "prudent use of time and manpower."

When asked whether they support continued public funding to oppose the Nickel Hill power plant, Hess said he strongly supports it, because "there are too many pollution sources in the Merrimack Valley." McCarron said he is undecided, and Hender said he doesn't "have the facts."

When asked if they would change anything to make selectmen's meetings more productive, Hender suggested that all volunteer recognitions be held at once during longer intervals, such as four times per year.

Hess said things like volunteer recognition must come first on the agenda, because people shouldn't have to wait until late at night to be recognized. McCarron said that there is a "general feeling of ineffectiveness by some members of the board to make a decision. I am someone who can make a decision," he said.

Candidates ask each other

When each candidate had the opportunity to ask a question of one other candidate, Hender asked Hess what his most difficult decision as a selectman was.

Hess said he voted to support a permit for storage of inflammables at California Products back in 1999. He struggled with the decision, because there was neighborhood opposition to the permit. Perhaps more difficult was his vote to recommend disapproval for the youth center project prior to Special Town Meeting, Hess said. "It was a financial decision that I wanted to wait until spring Town Meeting to vote on," he said. Afterwards, Hess explained that he had wanted the chance to look at the youth center's potential operating budget in light of other budget items in the spring.

McCarron asked Hender to state his position on the Town Meeting warrant article that asks residents to match $2 million of donated money with $2 million town funds for the renovation of Will Hall into a new senior center.

"I am not in favor," said Hender. "It's a change in the original agreement that was made to the town."

Hess asked Hender to explain how his experience on the school building committee will help in the youth and senior center projects.

Hender stated that sitting on the committee has taught him respect for town employees by observing their work. However, he said he will not know how to approach these projects from a selectman's point of view until he is voted onto the board.

Selectman candidates

'Detail-driven,' 'hard-edged' or 'even-keeled'

By Rebecca Piro

Those planning to vote in the 2001 town election are seeing as big a difference in the personalities as in the politics of the selectman candidates.

At last Thursday's League of Women Voters debate, incumbent Selectman John Hess, running for his second full term, called himself "even-keeled." He said that he's good at talking out conflicts with people, and he intends to "continue that effort to dialogue."

Candidate Ray Hender referred to his 30 years of experience in finance management and called himself a "detail-driven" person. He reminded the audience that he has experience as a school building committee member; however, when answering Hess' question of how that experience will help him resolve the youth and senior center projects, Hender said it will only help so much, as he has "no idea how to go about being a selectman."

McCarron compared himself to the other two candidates. "I'm a little harder-edged (than Hess and Hender), and frankly, I believe that's what we need now on the Board of Selectmen," he said.

"I like Mr. McCarron the best," said Dennis Teves, after the debate. "He seems to be a straight-shooter."

Resident Cynthia Barakatt noticed that there were some issues, such as Nickel Hill, the candidates did not seem prepared to talk about. "My sense was they didn't know a whole lot about it," she said.

Michael Frishman of Andover Street, who plans to vote for Hess and Hender, said he came to the debate with his mind made up. "Tim chose to be more contentious. It's unfortunate that he had uninformed and not very good answers on the Reichhold and power plant (issues)," he said.

Frishman was the only resident approached by the *Townsman* who would comment on McCarron's final comment at the debate. "I don't think we need hard-edged simply for the sake of hard-edged," he said. "I think he's too young. He's got a wife, a kid, and his career is still in the making."

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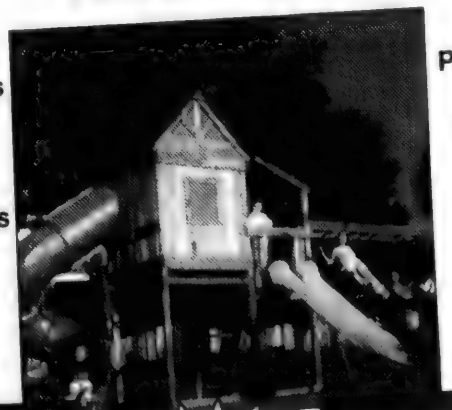

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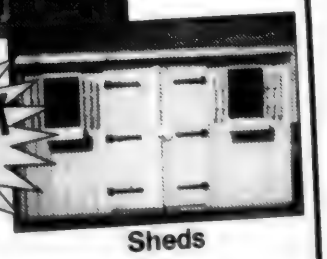

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Youth funds: A Will Hall domino?

By Rebecca Piro

Seniors will ask residents at Town Meeting to hand over at least $2 million to help renovate Will Hall. But if residents say yes, does that mean the town will be obligated to help pay for a youth center too?

That's a question some people are asking as Andover Youth Foundation members raise their eyebrows over the potential impacts of the $2 million Will Hall deal.

"It's definitely a question of fairness," says Youth Services Director Bill Fahey, who campaigned for the youth center project approved at November's Special Town Meeting. "It will obviously affect how the Andover Youth Foundation will pursue the money for the youth center. If we support the seniors and the $2 million (article) at Town Meeting, will the (youth group) be looking to do the same thing?"

After struggling for years to raise more than $4 million to renovate the building into a new senior center, seniors recently admitted that they cannot reach their goal alone.

To help, seniors and town officials are preparing to take an amended private warrant article to Town Meeting. Originally submitted by resident Dick Bowen, the article asks residents to match $2 million of what seniors plan to raise to renovate Will Hall.

Tom Jones: AYF can still raise funds because givers recognize private projects generally cost less.

Andover Youth Foundation continues to promise that it will raise all $4 million of its funds 100 percent privately. In addition, the youth group has always pledged support for the seniors' project, as have the seniors for the youth center.

But some youth supporters worry that donors will think twice about giving to the youth center if the town uses public funds for the senior center. AYF fundraiser Tom Jones says he has an answer for that.

"A lot of people understand how important it is to have private control over the... building," says Jones. AYF plans to construct the center on town land in West Andover, and then hand the completed building to the town for ownership. But the project will become much more costly, and take much longer, if it becomes a public project, he says.

Currently, AYF is operating under the assumption that it is going all-private. But Jones is open to a change. "If the seniors were to get $2 million, it would be another decision crossroads."

Selectmen Chairman Brian Major admits there's a real possibility the town could support both projects. Just as the seniors are proposing a half-public, half-private arrangement, the youth could seek a similar arrangement, he says.

"I don't think you could see the town trying to fully fund both, not with the economy going down and our operating expenses being really tight," he says. "It wouldn't be an automatic that the same number of dollars would go to a youth project."

"Our mode is a wait-and-see mode," says AYF member Peg Campbell. "We don't want to make it that kind of issue – that you're either for the youth or for the seniors."

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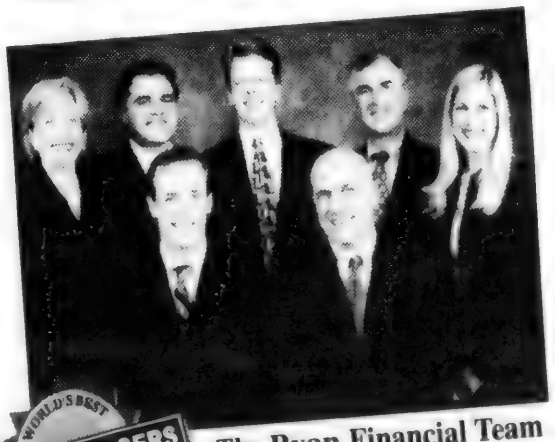

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, March 14 At 4:30 p.m., Henry Rousseau, 48, of 50 Woekel Circle, Pelham, N.H., was arrested and charged with illegally possessing a Class D substance, threatening to commit a crime and leaving the scene of property damage in a motor vehicle.

Friday, March 16 At 2:49 p.m., a 15-year-old male from Lawrence was arrested and charged with trespassing and illegally possessing a Class D substance.

At 10:25 p.m., Cynthia Blankenship, 44, of 72 Chandler Road, was arrested and charged with passing other vehicles improperly, and a second offense of driving under the influence of alcohol.

Saturday, March 17 At 8:05 p.m., James Kehoe, 29, of 13 Linlew Drive, Derry, N.H., and Russell Gallagher, 34, of 22R Mill Road, Derry, N.H., were arrested and charged with illegally possessing a Class D substance.

Monday, March 19 – At 12:28 p.m., Nelson McAllister, 35, of 8 Laurel St., Concord, N.H., was arrested and charged with possessing a hypodermic needle, possessing a Class E substance and motor-vehicle violations.

Tuesday, March 20 – At 11:22 a.m., Larry Dancause, 47, of 25 Ballard Road, Derry, N.H., was arrested and charged with behaving in a lewd and lascivious manner and engaging in prostitution. Lillie Williams, 41, of 76 Hancock St., Lawrence, was also arrested and charged with behaving in a lewd and lascivious manner, engaging in prostitution and illegally possessing a Class B substance.

At 10:18 p.m., Leon Modeste, 46, of 6 School St., was arrested and charged with failing to drive in marked lanes, following another vehicle too closely and driving under the influence of alcohol.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, March 14 – At 1:09 p.m., a Greenwood Road caller reported a fist fight between two females. An ambulance responded to the scene and one female was transported to the hospital.

At 2:24 p.m., a male reported that his aunt struck him in the face and on the arm while involved in an argument. An officer filed a report on the woman for two counts of assault and battery, one count of assault with a dangerous weapon, and threatening to commit arson.

At 2:39 p.m., an Algonquin Avenue resident reported that he found a cell phone. Police are holding the phone.

Thursday, March 15 – At 12:47 p.m., a caller at Greater Lawrence Technical School reported counterfeit bills.

Friday, March 16 – At 9:05 a.m., a caller from Andover High School reported that a student, who had been suspended from school the previous day, was in the school causing a problem. An officer responded to the scene but reported that the student had left before the officer's arrival.

At 10:01 a.m., an Odyssey Way resident reported that neighbors were saying there was a bear in the area, and that police were telling neighbors not to let children outside. The animal-control officer visited the neighborhood and reported that he highly doubted there was a bear in the area.

At 3:11 p.m., an officer reported that he was flagged down by a person concerned about a male who didn't appear to be moving. The male, who was fine, told the officer he was "just reading a very good book," according to the log.

At 3:25 p.m., a Rock O'Dundee Road caller reported that she witnessed a drug deal on her street. A detective spoke to the homeowner about the incident and was to check the area.

At 4:26 p.m., a Ivanhoe Lane resident reported that she had sewerage backing up into her house.

Saturday, March 17 – At 1:41 a.m., a Main Street caller reported that her neighbor was trying to get into her apartment. An officer was to file.

At 9:17 a.m., a George Street resident reported that she lost her cell phone.

At 11:29 a.m., a caller reported that a West Middle School student had threatened someone else.

At 2:06 p.m., a caller at the Mobil Station in West Andover reported that a motorcycle had overflowed with gas and it was leaking onto the ground. A fire engine was dispatched

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Arts & Entertainment

Photo courtesy of Phillips Academy

Phillips Academy's football players, such as co-captain Braxton Winston (center), are no strangers to the stage. They have appeared in several productions, such as *Man of LaMancha* and Shakespeare's *Coriolanus* (above).

Townsman file photo

Andover High School's musical production of *Once On This Island* had the Collins Center audience wanting to dance in the aisles. Four performances (Nov. 9-12) were filled with entertaining music, love and joy set on a Caribbean island.

Swapping scripts and footballs: It works at Phillips, but is AHS taking a pass?

By Judy Wakefield

Hamlet is also the quarterback for the football team. There is a 112-pound ballet student on the wrestling team. Plus, a couple of football players appeared in productions of *Man of LaMancha* and Shakespeare's *Coriolanus* at Phillips Academy.

How does Phillips manage to get big-time, teen-age jocks on stage and a petite ballerina on a wrestling mat?

At Phillips, it's cool to mix fine arts with sports. Meanwhile, at other high schools, it seems jocks and drama kids rarely swap scripts and footballs.

Look no further than Andover High. Last fall, Andover High thespians were not allowed to take part in a pep rally at the school. In the same way cheerleaders drum up support for football games, these actors wanted to perform a piece of their upcoming show in an effort to boost ticket sales. But the student council gave the idea a thumbs down, and the drama kids were left feeling like actress Susan Lucci at the Daytime Emmy Awards – the perennial loser.

The student council did not consider drama athletic enough to be part of the pep rally.

Ouch, according to some local teens active in Andover High's drama productions. Drama today is indeed physical, they argue. AHS cast members go through warm-up routines before every dance rehearsal, which are often more than two hours long.

But some weren't surprised by the pep rally snub; they believe it's part of an ongoing attitude.

They also note that last fall's AHS production of *Once on This Island* did not sell out the Collins Center. The Collins Center seats about 1,200. There were four performances and attendance averaged 600 to 800 at each show, according to Danielle Huntley, an AHS junior who is active in theater. Although these attendance numbers were respectable, AHS thespians were looking for a repeat of *Grease*, the first recent Andover High drama production to sell out.

"I can't tell you the disappointment I felt when the majority of students did not turn out for the show. Students view it (a drama production) as a waste of time. That's the vibe we get," Huntley said.

These drama buffs say they get that same vibe from school administration. For example, when the Andover School Committee launched a newsletter last fall, the issue featured a "guest column." It was written by the athletic director James Hurley. There was no mention in the newsletter of fine arts, they say.

"... Sports and fine arts should have equal support," AHS junior Joshua Desjardins wrote in a letter to the *Townsman* (Jan. 11). "It's unfortunate that this is not the case."

Hold on, says School Committee member Dick Collins, who is taking his grandchildren to this weekend's *Murder at Argos* (*story, page 21*) being staged by the AHS drama department. Collins, a former football and track coach at the school, has rarely missed a show done by AHS thespians since he moved to town in 1959 and suspects "there is less disrespect than people think."

"I was always very impressed with turnouts at all of the plays and musicals I have seen," he said.

He also noted that AHS grad-turned-Hollywood actor Michael Chiklis passed scripts and footballs during his years at Andover High. Chiklis captained the football team, never missed a practice, and had lead roles in numerous plays, Collins said.

Andover High's best running back ever, David Bennett, also made the crossover between sports and fine arts. He, too, got leading roles in plays while setting records during the 1960s.

"The drama director met me halfway and we worked it out for these kids. I know it's harder to do that today, but that's how we did it," said Collins who coached the AHS football team from 1959 to 1996.

Collins chooses to play down the lack of crossover appeal between sports and fine arts while the current drama director at AHS called it a long-time problem. Young thespians need to get used to being treated differently, according to AHS drama specialist Susan Sepich.

"It's always a challenge and I don't know if it will ever go away," she said. "It's global and the arts are always struggling for funding while the baseball players make huge salaries... you fight that fight and never forget it, but you don't let it get you down."

She called her department "a fertile arts department," but said "there is not a fertile arts community here."

Sepich and others may believe that, but Andover kids

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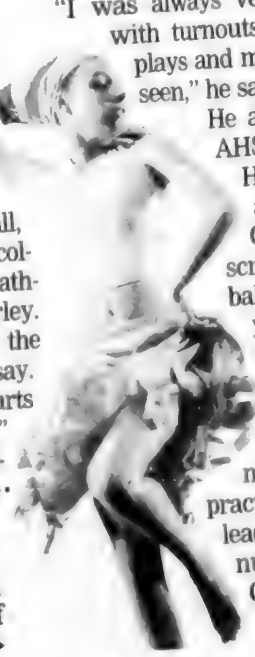
◀ Braxton Winston in the Phillips Academy production of *Coriolanus*.



Meghan Haines as Ti Moune, in the Andover High production of *Once on This Island*. ▶

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 22

Exhibit opening, works by children from the Hellenic American School in Lowell, 6-10 p.m., Ayer Lofts Art Gallery, 172 Middle St., Lowell; (617)598-1046, Ext. 9225 or <ayerloftsart@onebox.com>.

Andover fly fishers programs, 7:30 p.m., Christ Episcopal Church, Andover; Fred Cummings 475-4167.

Film night, featuring two films on schooners and Chebacco boats, 7:15 p.m., $3, Salem Access Television, conference room, 285 Derby St., Salem; Dan Tremblay (978)777-2711.

Blood drive, 2-8 p.m., St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 198 Haggett's Pond Road; 683-8922.

Live comedy, 8 p.m., Larry Myles, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 687-2442.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23

Murder at Argos, Andover High School Drama Guild, $10, 7:30 p.m., Collins Center; 623-8647.

Music, prayer program, featuring Sanctuary, 7:30 p.m., St. Augustine Church, Essex Street; Peg Murphy 475-0083.

Auditions, Summer Theatre Ensemble, for students entering grades 7 to 10, 3:30-6:30 p.m., South School; 623-8274 to schedule audition time or Elly Seavey 475-3319.

Storyteller Kevin Brooks, 7 p.m., for ages 6 and up, Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; (800)491-0143.

Showstoppers, Trinitarian Neighborhood Theatre, $8 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Carvell Hall, North Andover; 686-4445.

Church supper, 4:30-6:30 p.m., United Presbyterian Church, 96 E. Haverhill St., Lawrence; Carol St.Hilaire 688-6645.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., DJ Hazard, Matt Jablow, TJ Griffin, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

Debut piano cocnert, featuring Kevin Der, free, 8 p.m., Reading Public Library, 64 Middlesex Ave., Reading; (781)944-2017.

Bean supper, Easter raffle, 4-6:30 p.m., $5, $2 under 12, Sacred Heart Parish, 321 S. Broadway, Lawrence; Irene Potvin 686-5712.

Video-multimedia presentation, 7:30 p.m., $6, $4 ages 10-14, Dracula's Castle, 90 Lafayette St., Salem; (978)777-2711.

Cajun Fest, with Crawdad Wranglers, 6 p.m., $10-20, New Moon Coffeehouse, Universalist Unitarian Church, Haverhill; 9978)373-9259 or <www.newmooncoffeehouse.org>.

Murder at Stevens Estate, $55, $99 couple, dinner and show, 732 Osgood St., North Andover; (800)697-2583.

Wine tasting, benefits Trustees of Reservations, 5-8 p.m., $45, Castle Hill, Ipswich; (978)356-4351.

Artist talk, with Kanishka Raja, Annu Palakunnathu, Matthew and Sabina Haque, 2 p.m., Brush Art Gallery, 256 Market St., Lowell; (978)459-7819.

Home show, free, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., The Diplomat, Route One, Saugus; Moynihan Lumber (978)927-0032.

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Murder at Argos, *see March 23 entry.*

Showstoppers, *see March 23 entry.*

Auditions, *Summer Theatre Ensemble, 9 a.m.-noon, see March 23 entry.*

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

Live jazz prayer service, 10 a.m., West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road; 475-3528.

Concert, The Boston Virtuosi Orchestra, sponsored by the Andover All School Cultural Committee, Collins Center, $6, 3 p.m., Collins Center; Antoinette Hauck 474-0322.

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Ignoring the arts?

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can join several theater programs at a young age, including Merrimack Junior Theatre and Confetti Kids. The community also offers a number of arts programs, from Andover Community Theater to the Andover Chamber Music Series.

Crossover

Phillips may have a leg up on public schools, however, because of its schedule. At Phillips, the sports-drama crossover is successful because the private high school requires fine-arts classes alongside traditional classes, said Mark Efinger, who is both Phillips' theater department chairman and a wrestling coach.

"The model at public schools doesn't support the arts like the private schools do," said Efinger. "At Phillips, the arts are an accepted subject, equal to history and English. You don't graduate without fulfilling a music, art, or theater requirement."

Fine-arts classes are scheduled during the school day, just like English or history. While public schools also have fine-arts requirements, Efinger notes that some of the Phillips classes are nearly two hours. This allows him to hold a play rehearsal during school time. In fact, he has a drama class that meets from 1:05 to 2:45 p.m. four times a week.

"That's a lot of rehearsal time," he said. "We don't have to do rehearsals after school when all the sports are practicing. That's what happens in the public high schools. Kids have to make choices."

Efinger also pointed out "the private-school triple threat" which helps the fine-arts/sports crossover. PA professors must be involved with at least two outside-the-classroom activities. The choices are dorm life, athletics, or extra-curricular activities, which include drama productions. Many PA professors teach fine arts and also coach sports, like Efinger. For example, PA's squash coach, Chris Walter, is a music professor.

"Kids see the mix of sports and fine arts. That piques interest and gets momentum going," Efinger said.

Having more teens interested in fine arts may be in the future at Andover High as fine-arts requirements are on the rise. The classes of 2003 and '04 are required to have three credits in fine arts and applied technology, according to the guidance office. That is one more credit than the classes of 2001 and '02 are required to have.

A new theater program is in the works for next year. Plus, three acting classes will be offered at Andover High next year.

Other local high schools are also looking to beef up fine arts in their curriculums.

Governor Dummer Academy teachers recently visited PA to talk about the successful fine-arts/sports crossover. In North Andover, the school committee is considering instituting its first-ever, fine-arts graduation requirement for high schoolers.

That's good news to Efinger.

"Instead of being an athletic model, be a model of fine-arts success that branches the two," Efinger said. "Then, your greatest problem is to have drama types getting jealous of the jocks-turned-actors. The solution is more productions. That's a great problem to have."

AHS Drama Guild ready to stage 'The Murders at Argos'

Andover High School Drama Guild will present their spring production, *The Murders at Argos*, on Friday and Saturday, March 23 and 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the Collins Center for the Performing Arts. Written by New York playwright David Foley, the play is a contemporary take on the traditional themes and characters of classic Greek tragedy.

This production marks the play's New England premiere. Students presented an abbreviated version of the play's second act for the Massachusetts High School Drama Festival held recently at the Collins Center. Playwright Foley has made several trips to Andover to work directly with the east and crew in rehearsal, and is expected to be in the audience this weekend. In all, 23 students have been involved with every aspect of the production from acting to set, light and sound design. The students are under the direction of Susan Sepich, Andover High drama teacher, and Scott Worthley, Collins Center technical director.

Tickets are $10 and will be available at the door. The audience is cautioned that some of the play's topics – violence and revenge – may not be suitable for young children.

For more information, call 623-8647.

EVENTS CALENDAR LISTINGS

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Passover Fun Day, 1-4 p.m., Merrimack Valley Hebrew Academy, 18 Academy Drive, Lowell; (978)452-6842.

Folk concert, Atwater-Donnelly Duo, 5 p.m., $15, $10 seniors, students, Trinity Church, 124 River Road, Topsfield; (978)887-5570.

Break!, rhythm, dance and funk, show, $9, 2, 4 p.m., Durgin Hall, 35 Wilder St., UMass Lowell's south campus; (978)934-4444.▶

Lenten concert, 4 p.m., free, St. John's Episcopal Church, 48 Middle St., Gloucester; Sheila Bosworth (978)263-9926.

***Showstoppers**, 2 p.m., see March 23 entry.*

Take a Break! Sunday at UMass Lowell.

MONDAY, MARCH 26

Readers forum, discussing *Birdsong* by Sebastian Faulk, free, 7-8:30 p.m., Bentley Library Conference Area, Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill; (978)556-342.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

Meeting, Andover Writers' Group, free, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library; Joyce Crane 475-3206.

Jazz, The Victor Mendoza Quartet, 7:30-10:30 p.m., $5 cover, Casa Vecchia, Rte. 97, Salem, N.H.; (603) 893-6553.

Meeting, Merrimack Valley Regional Local Emergency Planning Committe, free, 10 a.m., Dept. of Industrial Accidents, 106 Winthrop Ave., Lawrence; 688-9590, <mvrlepc@juno.com>.

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Living

Local marathon runners are inspired by Dana-Farber

By Adam Groff

Ambitious Andover runners are hitting the bricks in earnest to prepare for the 105th Boston Marathon on April 16.

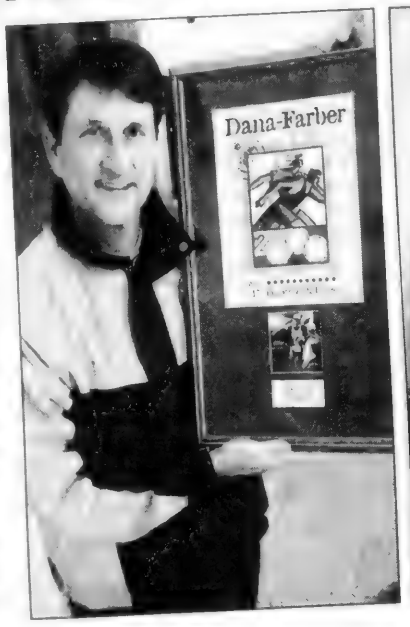
Among those lacing up their sneakers for charity are Marie Barron of Peppercorn Lane and Roy Dennehy of Wildrose Drive. They are both joining over 300 people in the 12th annual Dana Farber Marathon Challenge, which has raised millions of dollars to support cancer research at Boston's Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

Barron has raised almost $7,000 in honor of her aunt, who died of cancer 15 years ago.

"It's tougher than I thought, but it's very exhilarating at the same time," says Barron, who has never run a marathon before. "I did my first 20-miler last weekend, and it was great. They give you a running schedule, and if you just follow it from week to week, you're OK."

But the recent snow storms have made road training more difficult.

"It's been a heck of a challenge," says Dennehy about the past few weeks of running in the snow. "If it weren't for Dana-Farber, I wouldn't do it."



Photos by Tim Jean

Roy Dennehy, Tara Bachner and Marie Barron are ready for Patriots' Day and the 105th running of the Boston Marathon. They are both taking part in the 12th annual Dana Farber Cancer Institute's Marathon Challenge.

This is Dennehy's second run for Dana-Farber. He first took up the challenge for last year's marathon, after his best friend's wife died of cancer. Each team member must raise at least $1,500, but the energetic Dennehy has gotten pledges for more than $10,000 so far, and that gets him less than half way to his personal goal: $26,200, or $1,000 a mile. Last year, he racked up over $30,000 for cancer.

"About four weeks ago, about 50 of us went for a morning run in Wayland in the snow and sleet," he says, "and afterward, we all said that if it weren't for Dana-Farber, we'd still be in bed."

Tara Bachner, now of Salem, N.H., is also on the Dana-Farber team. She is running in memory of her mother, Candy Bachner, a much-loved kindergarten teacher at Sanborn Elementary School until her death from ovarian cancer two years ago (*Townsman*, Nov. 2, 2000, "Making the grade: Daughter trains in her mother's memory").

"The support has been great," says Bachner. "A lot of people send small donations, but they add up, and people write little notes with the checks, and they're really inspirational."

Doing his part for the Boston Marathon while staying in one place is Douglas White of River Street. A physical therapist and athletic trainer, White will be posted in the medical tent at the finish line, where he says he treats a lot of cramps and cases of dehydration.

"If it's a cold, rainy day, they'll get hypothermic," he adds. "I work primarily on keeping them warm and getting fluids back into them. This is something they've strived to achieve, and it's great to be able to help out with that."

To help out Barron or Dennehy, mail checks made out to Dana Farber Marathon Challenge, to Marie Barron at 3 Peppercorn Lane, or Roy Dennehy at 13 Wildrose Drive. To support Bachner, send checks to Tara Bachner, 14 Hawk Drive, Salem, NH 03079.

Everything to know about homeopathy

By Adam Groff

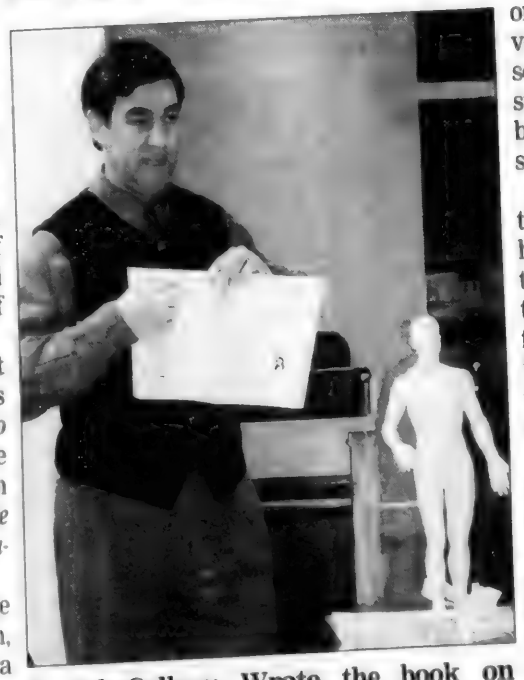
Sometimes, claims David Sollars of FirstHealth of Andover, the cure for an ailment might be found in the substance that causes it.

So goes the theory behind homeopathy, a medical technique in which patients are given very small doses of substances that in healthy people would produce symptoms similar to those of the disease.

Sollars is a licensed acupuncturist and homeopath at FirstHealth, and his latest book, *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Homeopathy*, will be coming off the presses any day now. It follows close on last year's publication of *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Acupuncture and Acupressure*, also by Sollars.

Developed in the 19th century by the German physician Samuel Hahneman, homeopathy made its way to America where, says Sollars, it enjoyed great popularity before fading into the background in the 20th century.

"There's nothing new about this," he says. In fact, he says in his book that the first national medical association in this country was the American Institute of Homeopathy, founded in 1844.



David Sollars: Wrote the book on homeopathy.

According to Sollars, the vast and growing array of substances in the homeopath's arsenal consist of minerals, as well as substances derived from animals or plants. Some are poisonous, like bee venom (which Sollars says he prescribed for himself when he was badly stung by jellyfish while on vacation), but the doses are so small that Sollars says they are not harmful.

"The goal is to find one substance that will jump-start the body's ability to heal itself," says Sollars. Part of finding the appropriate substance, of which there may be hundreds to choose from for a given affliction, is the homeopathic interview, in which Sollars says he finds out as much as he can about a person's lifestyle and past medical history.

"Every person is a unique individual, and this is customized medicine," he says.

Packed with illustrative stories of past cases, Sollars's book goes so far as to explain how homeopathic remedies are manufactured.

"People always want to know how they're made," says Sollars of the small, FDA-approved pellets. "I ask them, do you know how mainstream pharmaceuticals are made? But it's a question of familiarity.

"It's great for kids," he adds. "They aren't really up for the acupuncture."

UU workshop looks at diversity and its impact on patterns of social injustice

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover is sponsoring a workshop on social justice and diversity on Saturday, March 31 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the church, 6 Locke St.

Participants will focus on diversity and its impact on patterns of social injustice.

Anyone concerned about social injustice and its link to diversity in American society is encouraged to attend. Youth and adults are welcome.

Dr. Thomas J. Rice, chairman and founder of the Interaction Institute for Social Change in Cambridge will lead the workshop. His group is a non-profit dedicated to helping community-based organizations combat social injustices. Lunch and refreshments will be served.

The event is free, but advance registration is needed by calling Judy Treretola, 475-4152 or <goldotola @mediaone.net>.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

Tickets to Jay Leno show among the items as Lawrence Boys and Girls Club plans annual charity auction

This year's Lawrence Boys and Girls Club charity auction is set for Saturday, March 31 and features exotic, unusual auction items.

The event will be held at DiBurro's Restaurant in Haverhill. Cocktail hour starts at 5:30; dinner is at 7.

Some of this year's auction items include a Pebble Beach Resort Getaway for two including airfare and three nights lodging; tickets to a Victoria's Secret fashion show; a private Christmas party at Brickstone's Santa Village; corrective laser eye surgery; balcony seats for two to Disney's *Lion King* in New York City; a Drew Bledsoe-autographed football shirt; four tickets for a White House tour; and tickets to *The Tonight Show* with Jay Leno.

This is the major fundraiser for the club and also salutes its workers and volunteers who get national recognition every year. The club has won numerous awards for creative and effective programs to help the youth of the Merrimack Valley and many of their programs are duplicated at clubs across the country.

For more information, call Paul and Margaret Salafia at 475-9099.

Historical Society needs volunteers for program

The Andover Historical Society is currently seeking volunteers for its "Andover At Work in the 1820s" program for third-graders. This program, now in its 20th year and a part of Andover's curriculum, will take place Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., beginning April 24 through mid-June.

As classes arrive at the Amos Blanchard House at 97 Main St., students are given names of people who lived in Andover in the mid-19th century. After "Mistress Blanchard" welcomes the students, she invites them on a tour. Then, working in small groups, each child has the opportunity to experience hands-on activities at various work stations that include housekeeping, farming, store keeping, firefighting, and printing.

Seven volunteers are required for each class to play the roles of farmers, homemakers, shopkeepers, printers, and firemen. Training and costumes are provided. If you are interested in learning about Andover history, enjoy children, or have a son or daughter in third grade, join the fun, organizers said.

Training Day is Thursday, April 4 from 10 a.m. until noon at the Andover Historical Society. Call Juliet Mofford, director of education, at 475-2236 for information or to register.

Writers group focuses on self-publishing

The Andover Writers' Group is offering a discussion on self-publishing and self-marketing on Tuesday, March 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library.

David S. Brody

Literary publicist Karen Sheehan and author and real estate attorney David S. Brody will lead the discussion.

Brody's first book, *Unlawful Deeds*, ranked No. 1 on Amazon.com's "popular in Massachusetts" last September.

Sheehan has a marketing background and formerly planned author events for Barnes & Noble. She will talk about working with a publicist and self-publicity.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Joyce Crane at 475-3206, or Leo Griffin at 470-1186.

New date for art auction at Library

Memorial Hall Library's Benefit Art Auction, which was postponed after a snowstorm to Friday, April 6, will instead be held Friday, March 30, at 7 p.m. at the library.

An array of art including watercolors, porcelain, oils and photography showcasing local artists will be sold. Debby Dubay of Limoge Antiques and Mark Spencer of Carriage House Photography will serve as the evening's auctioneers. Bidding begins at 8 p.m.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Memorial Hall Library, the proceeds raised from the auction will benefit the many pro-

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OBITUARIES

Jane G. Hinman

Punchard '41 grad, Andona Society member

Andona Jane G. (Guild) Hinman, 77, of Andover, died Monday, March 19 at Prescott House Nursing Home.

Mrs. Hinman was a homemaker and former artist.

Born in Francistown, N.H., she graduated from Punchard High School in Andover in 1941.

She was a former volunteer with the Andona Society and other organizations in the area.

Members of her family include her husband, Robert Hinman; sons, Richard G. and his wife Emily Hinman of Kingston, Roger C. Hinman of Framingham, and Douglas E. and his wife Nancy Hinman of Seekonk; daughters, Nancy M. and her husband Peter Johnson of Andover, and Sally M. Hinman of Freeport, Maine; 11 grandchildren; and several nephews.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lazarus House, 48 Holly St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

Gilbert J. Cromie

Owned Red Farm Dairy and Poultry Farm here

Gilbert J. Cromie, 88, of Andover, died Thursday, March 15 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

From 1930 to 1962, Mr. Cromie owned and operated the Red Farm Dairy and Poultry Farm in Andover. More recently he worked at Brooks School in North Andover before he retired.

Born in Clinton, he attended Andover schools and graduated from Punchard High School in 1930. He also graduated from Stockbridge Agricultural School in Amherst in 1932.

He was a member of South Church all his life.

Members of his family include his wife of 62 years, Helen Cromie; son and daughter-in-law, Richard J. and Marcia Cromie of Covena, Calif.; daughter and son-in-law, Janet C. and Kevin Kelly of North Grafton; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

There were no calling hours. Private family services and cremation will take place at a later date.

Arrangements are by Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St., Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to South Church Memorial Fund, 41 Central St., Andover, 01810.

Victoria DeFusco

Enjoyed family, gardening

Victoria (Piccirillo) DeFusco, 94, died Friday, March 16 at Wingate Nursing Home.

Born in Lawrence, Mrs. DeFusco was a homemaker. She was a member of Holy Rosary Church in Lawrence, and lived for a time in Italy.

Mrs. DeFusco enjoyed being with her family and was an avid gardener.

She was the widow of Albert DeFusco.

Members of her family include her brother, William and his wife Christine Piccirillo of Burlington; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Rosinski Funeral Home, Lawrence.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Frank R. Grieco

Married 56 years

Frank R. Grieco, 79, formerly of Lawrence, died Saturday, March 17 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Born and educated in Lawrence, Mr. Grieco worked for many years as a custodian at Lawrence Superior Court, and also at William Barry Manufacturing and Log's Men's Store in Lawrence.

Mr. Grieco was a member of Holy Rosary Parish, St. Alfio Society, Union Social Club, Italian American Civic Association, and Sons of Italy Lodge 902, all of Lawrence.

Members of his family include his wife of 56 years, Grayce (Sapienza) Grieco of Lawrence; son, Michael Grieco of Lawrence; daughters and their husbands, Lucille and Gerard Desmet of Methuen, and Sandra and William White of Nevada City, Calif.; brothers, Louis Grieco of Lawrence and Daniel Grieco of Clearwater, Fla.; sisters, Theresa Masseno of Salisbury and Adeline Caruso of Seabrook, N.H.; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen.

Florence M. Deas

Foster parent for more than 35 years

Florence M. (Key) Deas, 72, formerly of Methuen, died Wednesday, March 14 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Born and educated in Lynn, she graduated from Lynn High School.

She then moved to the Lawrence area and was active with the Lawrence YWCA. She received a degree in early childhood development from Salem State College.

Mrs. Deas was a foster parent for more

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Deaths Elsewhere

BARBER – Harry Barber, 79, of Arlington, died Saturday, March 17 at home.

Members of his family include his son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Arthur and Constance Barber of Andover.

GRIFFIN – Carmella (Rampulla) Griffin, 87, of Haverhill, died Wednesday, March 14 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of her family include her stepsister, Fannie Erler of Andover.

SAPUPPO – Sarah F. "Sadie" (Nocera) Sapuppo, 94, of Lawrence, died Saturday, March 17 at MI Nursing & Restorative Center.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Michele and Helen Sapuppo of Andover.

OBITUARIES

The *Townsman* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice.

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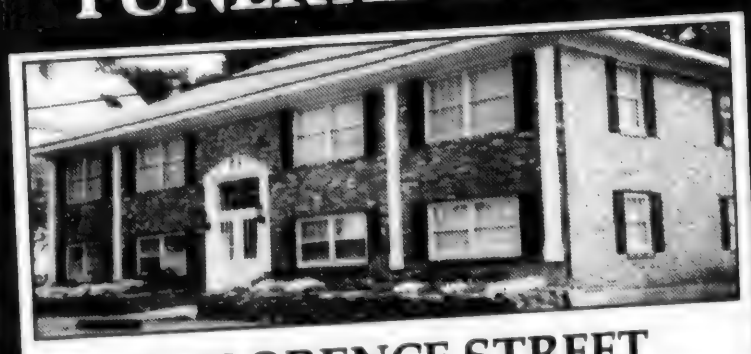

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OBITUARIES

Florence M. Deas

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than 35 years. She was a member of St. Patrick's Parish, and later of Assumption Parish in Lawrence, where she also taught CCD classes.

She was the widow of Robert V. Deas III.

Members of her family include her sons, David P. Deas and Joseph Deas, both of Lawrence, and Scott J. and his wife Leeann Deas of Methuen; daughters, Diann Murphy of Marlboro, Kym Deas of Needham, and Mary Deas of Alabama; brothers, Charles Key of Cambridge, and Cornell Key of Boston; sisters, Rose Key of California, and Martina Key of Florida; 12 grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was also mother of the late Marc A. Deas.

Arrangements were by Charles F. Dewhirst Funeral Home, 80 Broadway.

Memorial contributions may be made to Tribute Program Coordinator, the New England Home for Little Wanderers, 20 Linden St., Boston, MA 02134-9834.

Helen R. Blake

One of the first women to work as an insurance agent

Helen R. Blake, 102, died Saturday, March 3 at Sutton Hill Retirement Center in North Andover.

She was born in Elmira, N.Y. After leaving New York, she lived in Providence, R.I., Brookline and Andover.

Ms. Blake was one of the first women to work as an insurance agent with Equitable Insurance Co. in Boston.

She was a member of Congregational Church in Rhode Island, where she also sang in the choir.

A memorial service will take place at Sutton Hill Retirement Center at a time to be announced.

Kenneth P. Nassiff

Radar technician at Raytheon for 33 years

Kenneth P. Nassiff, 53, of Derry, N.H. and formerly of Lawrence and Andover, died from heart complications Monday, March 19 at Beth Israel-Deaconess Hospital in Boston.

Mr. Nassiff was a radar technician at Raytheon Co. in Andover for 33 years.

Born in Fall River, he graduated from Lawrence High School in 1965. He received an associate's degree from Northern Essex Community College and a bachelor's degree in business administration from New Hampshire College in Manchester, N.H.

During the Vietnam era, Mr. Nassiff served in the Navy aboard the *USS Newman K. Perry*, achieving the rank of first petty officer.

He attended St. Anthony Maronite Catholic Church in Lawrence.

He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans, American Legion Post in Andover, Lawrence Lodge of Elks, and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1505, where he was a former chief steward.

Members of his family include his wife, Ann M. (Tellier) Nassiff; sons Jeffrey P. and David F. Nassiff, both of Derry; mother, Lucy (Shantery) Nassiff, and sister, Cynthia Ashton, both of Andover; one niece; and one nephew.

Calling hours are tomorrow, Friday, March 23 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Farrah Funeral Home, 170 Lawrence St., Lawrence.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday, March 24 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Maronite Catholic Church in Lawrence.

Burial will be in St. Anthony Cemetery, Methuen.

Blanche F. Gardner

Owned Wonder Bar in Lawrence

Blanche F. Gardner, 94, of Cheever Circle, formerly of Methuen, died Wednesday, March 14.

Mrs. Gardner owned and operated the Wonder Bar, a popular night spot at the corner of Lowell and Broadway in Lawrence 25 years until she retired in 1965.

She was also associated with Quality Brands and Harvard Brewing Co.

She was born and educated in Lawrence.

Mrs. Gardner was a volunteer for the Red Cross for several years. She was also a Lady Elk in the Lawrence Lodge for several years.

She was a member of St. Augustine Church.

She was the widow of Bert "Hatch" Gardner.

Members of her family include her daughter and son-in-law, Beverly and Donald Kyle of Peabody; sister, Rita Bergeron of Methuen; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was also mother of the late Roger J. Denis and Irene Rappaport.

Arrangements were by Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen.

Lenten Wednesday services held at Christ Church

The Parish of Christ Church (Episcopal), 31 Central St., holds Wednesday worship services during Lent. The services are open to the public.

Here is the schedule:

At 7 a.m., Communion is celebrated in the North Chapel.

At 12:15 p.m., a brief lunch time Holy Communion service is held in the church sanctuary.

At 7:30 p.m., there is a service called "Prayer Around the Cross," which makes use of candlelight, soft chanting, icons, Scriptures and a wisp of incense and concludes with a brief Communion service. This service is not appropriate for young children.

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grams held at the library, equipment, and materials. Examples include children and adult programs, museum passes, Sunday concerts, Wednesday morning programs, Fish Over Andover, and support for the library's upcoming renovations. A sample of local artists and their medium include: a collection of photographs by the late Frank Wau a watercolor by Carol Baileau, photographs by Fran McCormack, scratchboard by Karen Harris, a watercolor on yuppo paper archival by Ruth Brunquell, iris giclee prints by Tom Edmunds and Karen Van Welden-Herman.

Admission is $10 per person including wine and hot and cold hors d'oeuvres (provided by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library and Keller Williams Realty), served at 7 p.m., prior to the start of the auction at 8).

Tickets are available at the library circulation desk, Andover Bookstore, Carriage House Photography, Limoge Antiques and at the door.

For more information, call the library at 623-8400.

Volunteers wanted

Volunteers are needed to help with the American Cancer Society's annual Daffodil Days campaign. Volunteers are needed to sell daffodils on Thursday, March 29 and Saturday, March 31.

Daffodils will be on sale around town March 26-30 at different locations (at CVS on March 29-30). A bouquet of 10 daffodils cost $6.

Call Anna Maria Montaon at (800) 527-1977, Ext. 232 to find out how you can help.

Business

Business briefs...

Protecting your savings

Elder-law attorney Stephen Spano will present "How to protect your life savings and live comfortably including myths and misinformation about Medicaid; Medicaid is not Medicare; Hidden Dangers with Living Trusts; and Independence and Dignity Planning," at Marland Place of Andover, 15 Stevens St. on Tuesday, March 27 at 7 p.m.

The event is free and refreshments will be served. For more information, call Donna or Jessica at 475-4225.

Lawrence General expands on-site oncology

Commonwealth Hematology-Oncology, a private cancer group, has opened a site at Lawrence General Hospital.

The opening of this new, private cancer treatment facility enables more local patients to see physicians in a private office setting with access to cancer treatment, according to LGH president Joseph McManus.

The expanded service occupies a newly renovated, 3,000-square-foot area on the fourth floor of the Lamprey Building at LGH. The facility features private examination and treatment rooms, two chemotherapy centers and a hematology-equipped laboratory.

McManus said the three medical oncologists from Commonwealth Hematology-Oncology staffing the facility are Drs. Pedro Sanz-Altamira, Yamil Kouri, and Paul Spieler.

Taxpayer, employer establishes greater presence in Andover

Feaster Five's Smith & Nephew expands

Architectural rending of new home for Smith & Nephew, off River Road.

By Rebecca Piro

Smith & Nephew, an international manufacturer of medical products and a major employer in the Merrimack Valley, is expanding its presence in Andover.

Currently established off Dascomb Road, Smith & Nephew recently signed papers with Minuteman Park owner Brickstone Properties to also take up residence near Interstate 93.

"This (will be) our new worldwide headquarters for general and administrative staff," says John Konsin, vice president of marketing for Smith & Nephew, which is based in London, England.

The company, which established itself in Andover 20 years ago, is joining businesses like PictureTel, NaviSite and Agilent in Minuteman Park to give itself room to grow. Smith & Nephew grew eight percent in sales last year, and the company pulls in a yearly average of $3 million in revenues, says Konsin.

"I was afraid for a while that we were going to lose them out of town," says Planning Director Steve Colyer, who knew that Smith & Nephew was looking around for a bigger site. "They've been a wonderful corporate resident of the town. They're very community oriented," he says, adding that Smith & Nephew sponsors the Feaster Five race in Andover every year. The company's expansion will add jobs and increase tax revenue to the town as well, says Colyer.

Smith & Nephew will continue to occupy its Dascomb Road location when the 113,000-square foot expansion in Minuteman Park is complete, says Konsin. The company hopes to finish construction one year from now.

Up to three tenants could occupy the building with Smith & Nephew, says Marty Spagat, president of Brickstone Properties. He signed the deal with Smith & Nephew last week.

"This will send a strong message," says Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce President Joe Bevilacqua. "If you're a world-class company, you should be here in the Merrimack Valley. There's no better place to be."

It's kosher: Business, religion combine for unique week

By Jennifer Lappin

Put down your cheeseburger and get ready for the "Week of Kosher Awareness."

The Jewish community organization Chabad Lubavitch of the Merrimack Valley and Wild Oats supermarket in Andover have joined together to promote kosher consciousness. From March 25 to 29, Wild Oats will be hosting a display table staffed by Chabad Lubavitch members alerting customers to the supermarket's wide assortment of kosher products, as well as providing educational literature for how to keep a kosher lifestyle.

This "Week of Kosher Awareness" is not universal; rather, it's Andover-specific. Rabbi Asher Bronstein, executive director of the Chabad Lubavitch, Merrimack Valley, explained, "The reason why we decided to do it at this time of the year, right before Passover, is because people are already looking for Passover kosher ingredients, so it's already on their minds."

Photo by Tim Jean

John Thomson of Andover readies a supermarket for the Andover-exclusive "Week of Kosher Awareness."

Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. this Sunday through Thursday, "Customers can sample several kosher products like Pirate's Booty, a cheddar-cheese puff snack, sort of like Cheetoes, but they're good for you, organic and kosher," says Stephanie Young Wild Oats marketing manager.

But what makes Pirate's Booty kosher? Kosher food follows the dietary laws as outlined in the Torah, the Jewish scripture. The Talmud, a legal encyclopedia on Jewish law, further defines kosher rules. In the case of Pirate's Booty, kosher law dictates that meat and dairy may not be mixed. Cheeseburgers are a no-no.

In this case, Pirate's Booty is kosher because it was not made with any animal fat, unlike some cheese puffs. Examples of other kosher laws include eating meat that has been salted to remove excess blood and avoiding pork and pork products.

"We're here to educate everybody with no strings attached," says Rabbi Bronstein. He will be explaining how to identify kosher products because, "there are certain labels out there that many people think are kosher, but they're not."

Since there is not one universal kosher symbol, Rabbi Bronstein will be using his display table to showcase the various forms of the legitimate kosher symbols like the "K" or the "U" with a circle around it.

Rabbi Bronstein expressed interest in using this upcoming week as an opportunity to reconnect members of the Merrimack Valley Jewish community with the traditions of their Jewish ancestors. Stephanie Young views the kosher awareness week as a way for the community to share information.

If you would like further information on this "Week of Kosher Awareness" contact Rabbi Asher Bronstein at the Chabad Lubavitch: 475-1853.

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POLICE LOG

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to the scene to help clean up the mess.

At 2:17 p.m., a Shawsheen Road resident reported seeing a snowmobile come out of the woods without a driver. An officer reported that the driver didn't fall off; the snowmobile simply got away from the owner who was working on it when the throttle got jammed open.

At 2:53 p.m., a female reported that her mother lost a diamond ring while she was living at the Wingate retirement home.

Sunday, March 18 – At 12:01 a.m., a Berkeley Lane caller reported that he came home to a large gathering of youths, who were leaving but throwing rocks at his house. The caller also thought he might be missing money. An officer was to file.

At 2:59 p.m., an officer fired a weapon at a Cross Street residence to dispose of a sick raccoon that was harassing the residents.

Monday, March 19 – At 10:22 a.m., a male reported that his ex-girlfriend was harassing him.

At 8:58 p.m., a Boston Road resident called to report an assault incident that involved her son and a bus driver.

Tuesday, March 20 – At 10:40 a.m., an officer requested a tow truck for a vehicle owned by a person who owed almost $600 in parking tickets.

THEFTS

Thursday, March 15 – At 11:55 a.m., an officer was to report to the Greater Lawrence Technical School to speak to two students who were caught stealing at the school.

At 1:25 p.m., an employee at the Andover Gift Shop reported a shoplifter. An officer returned to the station with the suspect to call the person's parents.

Friday, March 16 – At 11:34 a.m., an employee at Taylor Rental reported that a party had rented some equipment and then placed a stop payment on the check.

Monday, March 19 – At 1:19 p.m., a Mobil Station employee reported that a customer drove away without paying for gas.

At 4:35 p.m., a caller from North Main Street reported a bad check.

At 5:54 p.m., a female reported that her son's coat had been stolen at Andover High School sometime during that same day.

Tuesday, March 20 – At 2:32 p.m., a caller from First Essex Bank reported some bad checks being passed in Andover.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Wednesday, March 14 – At 5:56 a.m., an officer reported that a vehicle hit a pot hole on North Street and blew out a tire. The vehicle was towed away and the officer notified town employees of the hole.

At 10:01 a.m., an officer reported that a vehicle had been broken into at the Ramada Hotel. The window of the car was smashed.

At 11:29 a.m., a caller from Raytheon reported that his car had been broken into there on the previous Monday.

At 12:17 p.m., a Tiffany Lane resident reported that his license plate was either lost or stolen.

ACCIDENTS

Thursday, March 15 – At 4:10 p.m., a caller reported an accident outside the Lanam Club. An ambulance was called to the scene to treat a 5-year-old child complaining of pain. One vehicle was towed away.

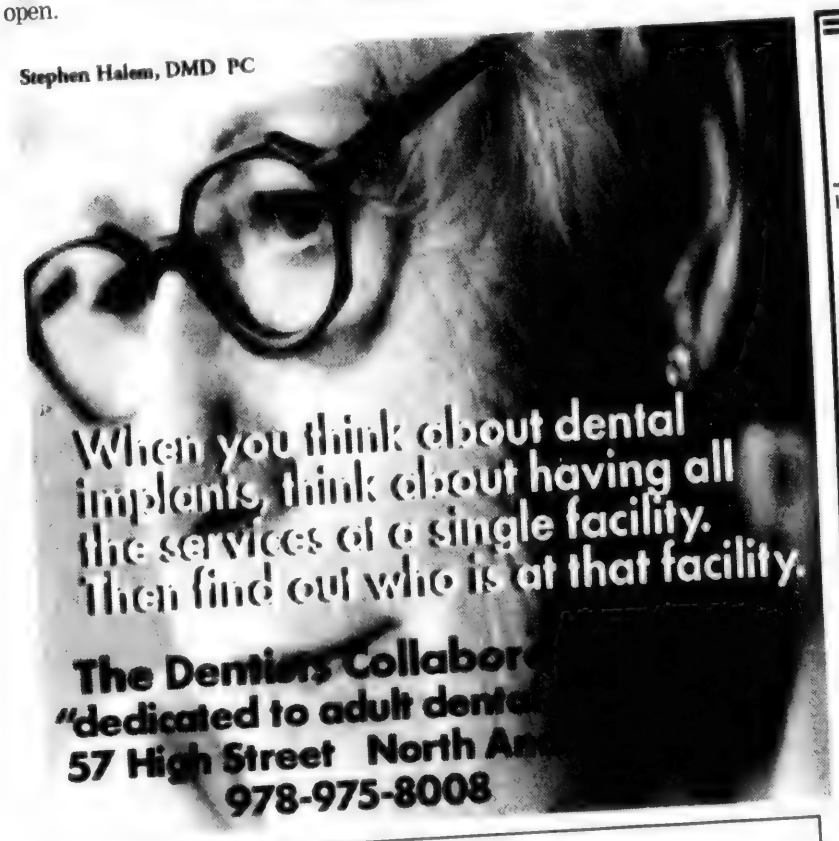
Monday, March 19 – At 6:58 a.m., a caller reported a roll-over accident on Jenkins Road. Only one person complained of a injury, and that person refused treatment for an injured hand. The vehicle was towed away.

Tuesday, March 20 – At 2:19 p.m., an ambulance reported to an accident on Federal Street to treat a pregnant woman complaining of discomfort.

VANDALISM

Four cases of vandalism were reported this week.

Stephen Halem, DMD PC



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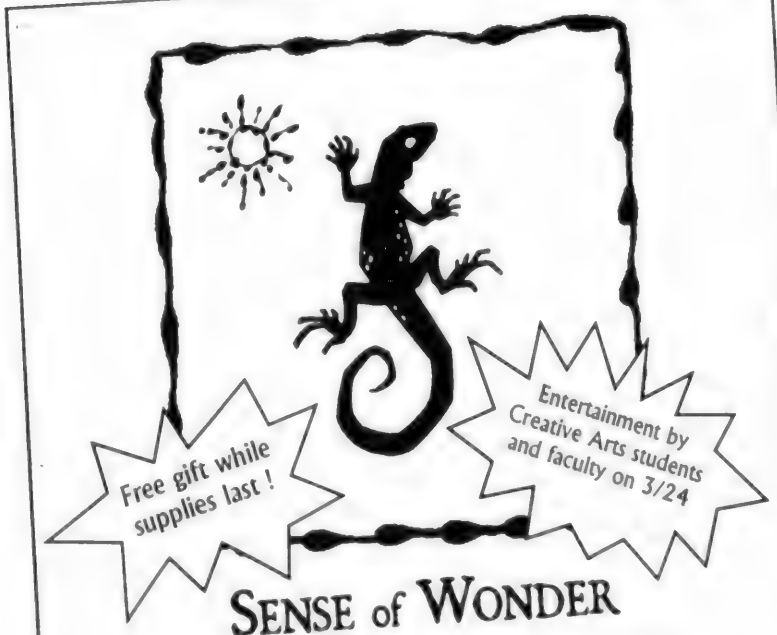

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Sports

Local athletes making sports news all over the country

By Rick Harrison

This column, compiled from information supplied by the colleges or by friends and relatives of the student-athletes, youth standouts and coaches involved, is published periodically in the *Townsman*. Information may be mailed to the office at 33 Chestnut St., Andover, 01810; or faxed to (978) 470-2819.

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Kerry Nugent of Andover, a senior forward on the girls varsity ice hockey team at Brooks School in North Andover, is one of eight nominees for the 2001 John Carlton Memorial Trophy given annually by the Boston Bruins.

Two awards are presented to an outstanding female and male student/athlete who participate in Eastern Mass. high school hockey.

This is the third time the girls award has been presented and the winner will be announced during a pre-game ceremony on March 31 at the FleetCenter when the Bruins host the New York Islanders.

The award, named for the late Bruins' scout and administrator, is given to the high school senior "who combines exceptional hockey skills with academic excellence."

The winner will be selected by a five-person panel comprised of Massachusetts college and high school coaches.

Nugent has been accepted to Brown University.

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Andy Yurko, a Merrimack Valley All-Conference football selection at Andover High last fall, as been selected to play in the 23rd annual Shriners Football Classic scheduled Friday night, June 22 at Bentley College in Waltham.

Yurko was a standout linebacker/offensive guard for coach Ken Maglio's Golden Warriors.

Proceeds from the Shriners Game go to help young burn victims at Shriners hospitals located throughout the country.

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Courtney Famiglietti of Andover is a sophomore second baseman on the Bentley College women's softball team this spring.

She finished her freshman year with a .293 batting average, nine RBI and a team-high five stolen bases.

The Falcons, a disappointing 10-30 last year, were involved in 21 games decided by two runs or less.

They opened the season recently by playing 10 games in five days at the annual Gene Cusic Collegiate Classic in Cape Coral, Fla.

Bentley finished 2-8 in the Sunshine State, with Famiglietti scoring the only run in the first inning of a loss to the University of North Dakota.

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Ryan Hanigan of Andover continued his solid hitting for the Rollins College baseball team, belting a bases-loaded triple to key a six-run bottom of the second that erased a 5-0 deficit and lifted the Tars (22-7) to a 9-6 victory over UMass Lowell in spring action at Alfond Stadium in Winter Park, Fla. last weekend.

The sophomore leftfielder/-catcher continues to hit over .400.

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Lisa Sawin and **Beth Carriere Hause** of Andover were members of the Norwich University women's hockey team this winter.

Architecture major Sawin played forward and nursing major Hause was the goaltender on the fledgling team which played club level this season and hopes to attain varsity status next year.

The team finished with a .500 record after a season-ending four-game win streak that included a late-February two-game sweep at Skidmore College.

Norwich posted a pair of shutouts with 1-0 and 2-0 wins versus Skidmore, and Hause ended the season in style with three straight shutouts in net.

Hause helped start the program several years ago at Norwich, whose population is a mixture of military and civilian students.

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Victoria Costello of Andover, a graduate of Brooks School in North Andover, is a junior defender on the William Smith (N.Y.) College women's lacrosse team this spring.

Costello is one of 12 returning letterwinners from a team that finished 11-2 last year.

The Herons opened the season last week in Panama City, Fla. against Haverford.

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Jessica Redding of Andover was a member of the University of Buffalo women's volleyball team last fall.

The 5-foot-9 junior setter, a transfer from NCAA Division 3 volleyball power Eastern Connecticut State College, played two seasons at ECSU and led that team with 7.34 assists per game and 61 service aces while adding 259 defensive digs and 46 blocks.

She posted a career-high 15 defensive digs for UBuffalo in a 3-1 early-season loss to Marshall.

The psychology major, who was also recruited by St. John's University, is an avid skier and runner.

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Anna Valeo and **Anna Lewis**, both Phillips Academy graduates and freshmen at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn., earned their first varsity letter in field hockey last fall.

Anna Valeo

Valeo, a defender, started three games and played in seven of the 18 varsity contests. Wesleyan allowed an average of 1.32 goals per game and held 15 opponents to two goals or less.

At PA she lettered four times in field hockey and was a team captain. Valeo also lettered in lacrosse and track.

Lewis, also a defender, played in 12 games and started eigbt. She recorded one defensive save and passed out one assist.

At Phillips she was a two-time letterwinner in field hockey and lacrosse.

Wesleyan finished 13-5 overall and won its second straight Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) New England Division 3 title.

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Janice Coppolino of Andover, a sophomore middle hitter on the Framingham State College women's volleyball team, was named a Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference (MASCAC) first-team All-Star.

Coppolino was also selected to the MASCAC Weekly Honor Roll three times last fall.

The first time Coppolino had 50 kills, 18 service aces and 61 defensive digs as the Rams won three matches.

The second time she contributed 22 kills, 43 defensive digs and six blocks as FSC split two matches.

The third time her line read 37 kills, 30 digs, nine blocks, and five aces as FSC won three of four matches.

Coppolino then opened the women's basketball season at FSC by making the MASCAC Weekly Honor Roll for the first two games.

The center averaged 15.5 rebounds and was named to the All-Tournament Team at the season-opening Eastern Connecticut Classic.

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Stephanie Brown, who also played volleyball at Andover High and was a senior middle hitter at Bridgewater State College last fall, joined Coppolino on the MASCAC first team.

Brown was also selected to play in the 2000 New England Women's Volleyball Association Senior Bowl held at Worcester Polytech.

She had an outstanding four-year career at BSC, finishing as the school's all-time career leader in kills, blocks and games played. Her 1,036 kills makes her the only player in school history to reach the 1,000 milestone.

Last fall, as a junior, Brown set the single-season total blocks mark at Bridgewater State with 277 in 103 games as the Bears qualified for the NCAA Tournament for the first time.

For her achievements Brown was selected MASCAC Player of the Year by the conference coaches.

This fall BSC won its sixth straight conference title and again advanced to the NCAA's, losing to Bates College in the opening round.

Brown also finished with 782 career blocks and 142 service aces in 477 games.

While at AHS, Brown also participated in gymnastics and track.

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Ellen Casper of Andover was a sophomore forward on the Union, N.Y. College varsity field hockey team last fall.

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Scott Petersen of Andover is a junior member of the Holy Cross College varsity baseball team.

The Crusaders' first baseman started 30 games last spring and finished with a .978 fielding percentage.

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Erin McElhinney, an Andover native, had a standout season for the Simmons College of Boston women's soccer team last fall.

McElhinney ranked among the top five goalkeepers in the Great Northeast Athletic Conference.

Simmons has been to the conference title game each of the last five years, winning the GNAC championship in 1996 and 1998.

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Ross Fenton of Andover has been certified as a member of the United States Professional Tennis Registry, an international tennis teaching organization based on Hilton Head Island, S.C.

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Fenton earned his certification as a teacher/coach while instructing at the Harvard University tennis camps last summer.

Fenton is a 1997 graduate of Andover High and is completing his senior year at the University of

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The Andover girls 8th-grade travel basketball team capped a 23-win season by capturing the River Valley League championship. The league encompasses teams from towns in eastern Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire. The RVL playoffs featured some close and exciting games resulting in Andover wins. After defeating the Swampscott AAU team in the playoff quarterfinals, the locals nipped Salem, N.H., 52-50, in the semifinals and defeated Peabody, 60-56 in overtime, for the title. Andover also won the annual Pepsi Tournament in Lawrence and was a finalist in the Central Catholic Tournament this winter.

"This was a feel-good story of the year," said head coach Dave Powers. "It ended with a magical March Madness weekend for the girls, who won only five games last year as 7th-graders but turned it around this season just like Boston College (men's basketball) did."

Team members are (front, from left): Britany Moriarty, Jackie Powers, Jessie Koffman, Melissa Foley and Kristin Villanueva. Back row, from left: Assistant coach Biff Moriarty, Jessie Shields, Caitlin Jackson, Maggie Hanlon, Micaela Smith, Kate Nichols, Kristen Pinksten, Corinne Welsh, Felicia Thompson and head coach Dave Powers.

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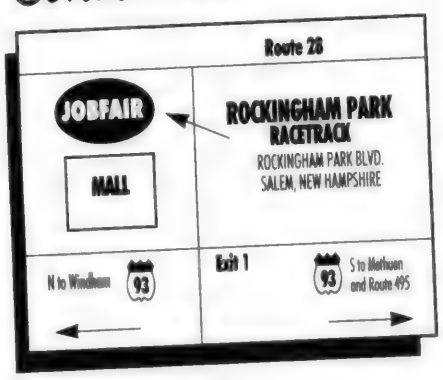

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Colorado in Boulder.

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Robert Berberian of Andover, a graduate of Lawrence Academy in Groton, was a backup goaltender on the Bentley College varsity ice hockey team this winter.

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Colleen Bateson

Colleen Bateson of Andover was a member of the Bridgewater State College women's field hockey team last fall.

The freshman midfielder played field hockey and softball at Andover High for three years.

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Lauren Harlow of Andover, a member of the defending state champion Andover High girls swim and dive team, was honored at the New England Swimming Top Ten Banquet at the Mill House Restaurant in Dracut.

Harlow, whose club team is the North Shore Sharks, was cited for having one of the top 10 times in New England in her age division.

Sister **Diana Harlow** was recognized at the same banquet, receiving the Outstanding Swimmer Award for the girls 11-12 year old age group.

Caitlin and **Courtney Hamer** of Andover are also members of the Sharks team which is based in Beverly.

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Shannon Callahan-Higgins of Andover, a sophomore member of the Regis College women's swimming and diving team this winter, competed in the ECAC Division 3 Championship Meet at Long Island Aquatic Club in East Meadow, N.Y.

She had qualified in several events and finished 23rd in the 200 breaststroke (2:44.59), 26th in the 100 breaststroke (1:16.43) and 53rd in the 50 freestyle (27.73).

Prior to the three-day ECACs, Callahan Higgins won three individual races as Regis split a tri-meet against St. Joseph's (Conn.) College and Wheelock College.

Callahan-Higgins qualified for the New England Championships with her first-place finishes in the 50 breaststroke (35.72 seconds) and 50 freestyle (28.75). She also qualified for the ECAC Championship Meet by winning the 100 breast in 1:16.63.

She also swam a leg on the victorious 200 medley relay.

In the season opener against neighboring Babson, Callahan-Higgins took first in the 100 breast (1:17.67) and posted a New England Championship Meet-qualifying 1:03.53 time in the 100 free.

In a meet at Wellesley College, Callahan-Higgins qualified for the ECACs in the 200 breast with a 2:49.83 clocking.

She lowered her ECAC-qualifying breaststroke time to 1:16.01 in a loss to M.I.T., and also won the 50 free in an ECAC-qualifying 28.27.

At the two-day Regis Swim & Dive Invitational, Callahan-Higgins paced the Pride by winning both the 50 (35.87) and 100 breaststroke (1:15.70) races.

She also placed third in the 100 free (1:02.02) and earned the meet's Runner-up Award by finishing with the second most individual points.

In a meet against Salem State she was a double individual race winner in the 50 breaststroke (36.21) and 100 breast (1:16.28).

She placed first in the 50 freestyle (28.19) and 100 breaststroke (1:17.47) against Gordon College.

In a meet against Smith College Callahan-Higgins was a triple winner in the 50 breaststroke (35.33), 50 free (28.63) and 100 breaststroke (1:16.49).

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Kevin Manning of Andover, a Phillips Academy graduate now at the University of Pennsylvania, was named the Collegiate Sprint Football League's Defensive Player of the Week once last fall.

Manning, a senior defensive end, led the CSFL Quakers to their third shutout of the season and fourth consecutive shutout win over Cornell, 23-0.

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Manning recorded seven tackles including five solo.

Manning was one of 10 Quaker athletes named to the Fall Academic All-Ivy League Team. He made the Ancient Eight academic squad after helping lead the sprint footballers to the CFSL championship and being selected a first-team league All-Star.

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Chris Cullen of Andover was a junior forward on the Cortland (N.Y.) State University ice hockey team this winter.

He scored his first goal of the season on the power play in a 6-2 loss to nationally-ranked NCAA Division 3 power Potsdam (N.Y.) State, and through 22 games had three goals and five assists.

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Jenna Blongiewicz of Andover, a junior on the University of Delaware women's swim & dive team, won the 200 backstroke in 2:13.16 to help UD to a convincing 149-85 win over Drexel.

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Brenna O'Connor of Andover was a junior freestyler and two-year letterwinner on the Emory University women's swim & dive team for the 2000-01 season.

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Brittany Traynor of Andover, a freshman member of the women's soccer team at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. last fall, started all 13 games as a sweeper and scored one goal while playing outstanding defense for a 4-8-1 team.

Skidmore's tough schedule included four teams (Middlebury, Union, Ithaca and William Smith College) that qualified for the NCAA Division 3 Tournament.

Traynor started for the Andover High girls soccer team as a junior and senior in 1998 and 1999.

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Four Andover student/athletes were captains of varsity winter sports teams at Austin Prep in Reading.

The four are sophomore **Kim MacElhaney** (girls ice hockey), senior **Matt Pimentel** (co-ed indoor track), sophomore **Kristen Boyce** (co-ed indoor track) and senior **Jennifer Boyce** (co-ed swim team).

Pimentel, who holds several cross country and distance track records at Austin, recently established a new school mark in the 1000 meter run (2:45.7) as the Cougars blasted Cardinal Spellman in a dual meet.

MacElhaney led the Catholic Central League in scoring for MIAA Tournament qualifier Austin, and she was also named to the league's Division 1 All-Star team.

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Patrick Rulon-Miller and **Jen Boyce** of Andover helped the YMCA of North Shore Sharks swim and dive team to victory over the Melrose YMCA team.

Rulon-Miller placed first in the 100-yard backstroke (1:01.39) and Boyce competed in the 50 free (29.05). Rulon-Miller also swam a leg on the victorious boys 200 medley relay (1:58.55).

In a loss to the Andover/North Andover YMCA team, **Caitlin Hamer** placed first in her age-group 100 freestyle race (57.59), **Courtney Hamer** was second in the 50 butterfly (33.22), **Diana Harlow** first in the 500 free (5:35.62), **Lauren Harlow** first in the 100 backstroke (1:02.98), **Rulon-Miller** second in the 200 IM (2:20.90) and **Boyce** third in the 500 free (6:17.51).

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Dan Lombard of Andover was the No. 1 goaltender for the Yale University hockey team this winter.

The 5'10", 176-pound junior alternated starts last season, but eventually took the job over full-time in the ECAC playoffs.

He made an outstanding season debut with 35 saves against sixth-ranked Michigan. Nine times he finished with more than 30 saves and posted a personal career-high 38 versus Clarkson.

Lombard appeared in 15 games, earning wins against Vermont (shutout) and Colgate while also being involved in three ties while posting a 2.80 goals-against average.

As a freshman he picked up a win against Army and played well in a relief role (12 saves) versus Merrimack.

Before Yale, Lombard was captain of the Belmont Hill School team as a post-graduate, putting together a 2.19 goals-against average and .913 save percentage with three shutouts in 27 games. His multiple awards that season included All-League honors, team co-MVP, New England Prep School Senior All-Star, Hockey Night in Boston All-Scholastic, HNIB Merrimack Valley Defensive MVP and Sportsmanship Award recipient.

A baseball player and standout student as well, Lombard earned the 1998 Bertagna Goaltending Scholarship given to an Eastern Mass. goalie for accomplishments on and off the ice.

His older brother Mike was a hockey player at Tufts University.

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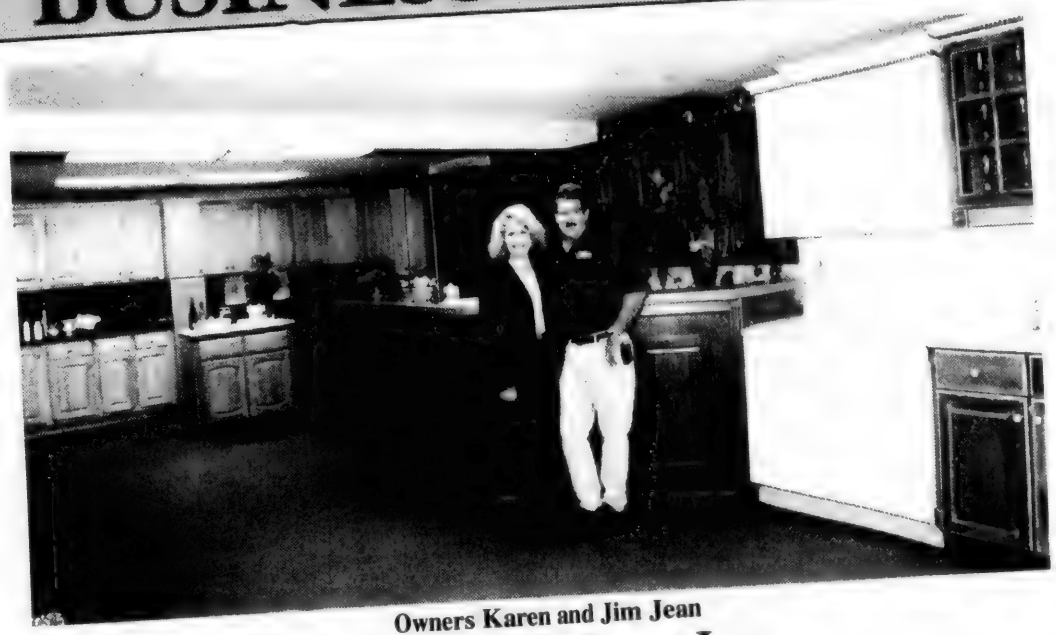

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In the case of former finalists, before mailing, it is important to clearly mark the year in which you attended a prior "Good Sport Dinner" in the lower left-hand corner on the front of the envelope containing your essay.

The deadline for all entries is this Friday, March 23. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than Thursday, March 22.

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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at 8:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, pursuant to MGL, Chapter 41A, Section 5., on a private article submitted by Robert Parker, Leo Bibeau and others, to amend the Andover Zoning By-Law by rezoning certain land situated on the north side of River Road between Riverside Drive and Bulfinch Drive from Single Residence SRC to Industrial IA, said land being portions of properties indentified as Lot 6, Lot 7, a private way, and Lot 8 on Assessor's Map 126. The complete article may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of 500 Minuteman Ltd. Partnership, c/o The Brickstone Companies, 200 Brickstone Sq., Andover, MA for a modification of Decision No. 2984 which allows construction of a sign that does not meet the By-Law requirements.

Premises affected are located at 500 Minuteman Road, Andover, MA in an Industrial D District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 165 as Lots 4.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 22 & 29, 2001

TOWN OF ANDOVER

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
STREET LAYOUT MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Monday, March 26, 2001 at 7:30 P.M. in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 82, Section 22, for the purpose of considering laying out the following streets: Coderre Way, Noel Road, Steeple Court, Acorn Drive, Basswodd Lane, Buttonwood Drive and Hazelwood Circle.

Brian P. Major,
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March 15 & 22, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Robert & Tamera Ashworth, 7 Willard Circle, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section V.A and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 to build a screened porch on a parcel that does not have frontage on a way as defined by the By-Law.

Premises affected are located at 7 Willard Circle, Andover, MA in a Single Residence C District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 123 as Lot 7.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
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EVENTS CALENDAR LISTINGS

(Continued from page 21)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

Film, lecture on girls' healthy development, presented by Parent to Parent, showing *Reviving Ophelia* with Dr. Mary Pipher leading discussion, 7:30 p.m., West Middle School; Barbara Jezak 474-0387.

The Passion of Christ Through Art, presented by art historian Dr. Elizabeth Carlisle, free, 7:15 p.m., St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 396 Main St., North Andover; 682-8952.

Diabetes screening, free, 8-10 a.m., YWCA, 38 Lawrence St., Lawrence; 687-0331.

Annual Paul Carlson Black and White Print Salon, Merrimack Valley Camera Club, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 689-9643.

Community forum, on new plans for the Suffolk Mill Turbine Exhibit by Lowell National Historical Park, 6-8 p.m., Wannalancit Office & Technology Center, 600 Suffolk St., Lowell; Lori Brooks (978)970-5033.

Meeting on veterans benefits, 6 p.m., Mosse Hall, 140 North St., North Reading; Daniel Stack (617)565-2575.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

Auction, benefits Family Coop Preschool, 6:30 p.m., Edgewood in North Andover; Chris 474-9259 or <www.familycoop.org>.

Computer technology career night, sponsored by North Shore Community College, 6:30 p.m., Cummings Center, Beverly; (978)236-1200.

Live comedy, 8 p.m., Larry Myles, call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road, Andover; 687-2442.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30

Jungle Book, a Doherty Middle School production, $6 adults, $4 kids, 7:30 p.m., Doherty Middle School auditorium; Minda Reidy <Reidy3mr@mediaone.net>.

Art auction, benefits Memorial Hall Library, $10, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Library; 623-8400.

Opening, The MillArt coffeehouse gallery, 7-11 p.m., 181 Canal St. (formerly KGR factory outlet), Lawrence; Terry (978)557-0137.

Antique, collectibles show, $5, 5-9 p.m., 1st Parish Congregational Church, 1 Church St., Wakefield; (781)245-1539.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Gemini, John Keating, Troy Diamond, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

Craft fair, free, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sacred Heart Parish, church hall, 321 South Broadway, Lawrence; Irene Potvin 686-5712.

Craft fair, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dracut High School, 1540 Lakeview Ave., Dracut; (978)455-1588.

Workshop on social justice, diversity, free, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St.; Carol Rougvie 470-1676.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Gemini, John Keating, Troy Diamond, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

Jungle Book, *see March 30 entry.*

Antique, collectibles show, *10 a.m.-4 p.m., see March 30 entry.*

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

Concert, The Royal Victorian Opera Company, including Susan Thomas, 3 p.m., Memorial Hall Library; 623-8401. ▶

Susan Thomas

String players concert, featuring string players ages 5 to 18 including Colleen Shannon, Emily Scoble, Veda Ewsarappa, Emily Peterson, Jessica Garone and Ann Marie O'Brien, all of Andover, $5, 3 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, 73 Elm St., North Andover; Trudy Larson 685-7844.

Cradle roll, for families with preschoolers, $5, 9 a.m., Temple Emanuel, Haggetts Pond Road; 470-1356.

Concert, Mozart's *Requiem,* choir, chamber orchestras of Phillips Academy, Phillips Exeter, free, 3 p.m., Cochran Chapel, Phillips Academy; 749-4995.

5-mile hike, sponsored by Andover Appalachian Mountain Club, 1:30 p.m., Weir Hill, North Andover, meet at TOR sign on Stevens Street, rain cancels; Art Olsen (978)374-0751 or <artolsenjr@att.net>.

Aquatic job fair, 1-4 p.m., Greater Lawrence Technical School, 57 River Road; Cindy Bernstein (978)372-6871.

Chanting workshop, led by Bhavani from the Kripalu Center, 7:30 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St.; Susan Foster 470-1134.

Video-multimedia presentation, 7:30 p.m., $6, $4 ages 10-14, Dracula's Castle, 90 Lafayette St., Salem; (978)777-2711.

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Tickets are $6 and are available at Learning Express, Andover Bookstore and at the door.

The AASCC is made up of representatives from the cultural committees of Bancroft, West, Shawsheen, South, Sanborn, St. Augustine and Andover School of Montessori.

For more information, call Antoinette Hauck at 474-0322.

Fax Events Calendar notices: 470-2819

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road, Andover, MA for an extension of Decision No. 2995 that allows the construction of additions and alterations to existing church and vestry building.

Premises affected are located at 129 Reservation Road, Andover, MA in a Single Residence B District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 89 as Lot 55.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 22 & 29, 2001

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Andover Portland Avenue Associates, LLC, c/o Attorney Mark B. Johnson, 12 Chestnut Street, Andover, MA for an extension of Decision No. 3012 or a special permit under Article VIII, Section IV.B.20 of the Andover Zoning By-Law to allow construction of a hotel.

Premises affected are located at 168, 172 & 174 River Road, Andover, MA in an Industrial D District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 166 as Lots 5, 6 & 7.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 22 & 29, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M.on the petition of Cheryl Rothstein & Richard Fink, 18 Arundel St., Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section V.A and/or for aspecial permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 to extend kitchen and relocate bulkhead and porch that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 18 Arundel Street, Andover, MA in a Single Residence A District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 36 as Lot 66.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
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March 22 & 29, 2001

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of LLM Realty Trust, 20 Aegean Dr. #11, Methuen, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section VI.P.5.b to allow the construction of a single family home that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 137 Greenwood Road, Andover, MA in a Single Residence B District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 131 as Lot 8B.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
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March 22 & 29, 2001

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE
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DEPARTMENT
ESSEX DIVISION
Docket No. 01P0549-EP1

NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF **GERALDINE O. BLAKE otherwise known as GERALDINE BLAKE**

To all persons interested in the estate of GERALDINE O. BLAKE, otherwise known as GERALDINE BLAKE late of the County of Essex Date of Death, February 12, 2001

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by WINSTON ANDREW BLAKE, JUNIOR of Andover in the County of Essex, praying that he be appointed executor thereof, without giving sureties on his bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON April 17, 2001

Wills only: In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, John C. Stevens, III, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date March 13, 2001

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
March 22, 2001

TOWN OF ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at 7:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, pursuant to MGL, Chapter 41A, Section 5., on a private article submitted by Yvon Cormier Construction Corp. and others, to amend the Andover Zoning By-Law by rezoning a certain parcel of land situated on the westerly side of Haggetts Pond Road and abutting the Tewksbury Line, from Single Residence SRC to Industrial ID, said property being a portion of Lot 6 on Assessor's Map 219; Lot 2A on Assessor's Map 221; Lot 2 on Assessor's Map 227. The complete article and a plan attached thereto may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
Michael H. Miller, Esq.,
Chairman
March 22 & 29, 2001

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE
AND FAMILY COURT
DEPARTMENT
ESSEX DIVISION
Docket No. 01P0417-EP1

NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF **WILLIAM D. ROBINSON**

To all persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM D. ROBINSON late of the County of Essex Date of Death, July 23, 2000

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by ALMA KAY ROBINSON of Andover in the County of Essex, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON April 17, 2001

Wills only: In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, John C. Stevens, III, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date March 13, 2001

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
March 22, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M.on the petition of Jeanne Asoian, 107 Chestnut Street, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section V.A and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 to allow the construction of additions and alterations to an existing non-conforming residence some of which additions and alterations will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 107 Chestnut Street, Andover, MA in a Single Residence A District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 22 as Lot 131.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 22 & 29, 2001

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF
THE TRIAL COURT
(SEAL) Case No. 270091

To **Roland Gray III, Trustee of Rocky Hill Road Realty Trust, Laura Fleming** and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended: Washington Mutual Bank, FA As Successor By Corporate Merger with Great Western Bank, A Federal Savings Bank claiming to be the holder of mortgage covering real property in Andover, numbered 3 Rocky Hill Road, given by Roland Gray III, Trustee of Rocky Hill Road Realty Trust u/d/t August 26, 1992 and Laura Fleming to Great Western Mortgage Corporation dated August 26, 1992 recorded in the Essex County (North District) Registry of Deeds in Book 3531, Page 176, now held by Plaintiff by assignment. has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 30th day of April, 2001, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 14th day of March, 2001

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.
Recorder
March 22, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on MONDAY, March 26, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Avalon at St. Clare, Inc., 460 River Road, Andover, Ma for a comprehensive permit.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 22, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Trustees of Phillips Academy, 180 Main Street, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section V.B.4b to allow the construction of a new science center building that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 2 Great Quad Road, Andover, MA in a Single Residence B District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 41 as Lots 1.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
March 22 & 29, 2001

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises : 20 Keystone Way
Andover, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Lih Ming Chen and Suchu Lai Chen to BayBanks Mortgage Corp. dated August 6, 1993 and recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 3800, Page 284, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on the 11th day of April, 2001, A.D. at 1:00 P.M. at or upon the mortgage premises, 20 Keystone Way, Andover, Massachusetts, as described below, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

To wit:

The land in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts being known as Lot #9, on a plan of land entitled, "Definitive Plan of Hearthstone Village, Subdivision Plan of Land in Andover, Mass, of Keystone Way. " Scale 1" = 40', Date: March 14, 1987. Sheets 4 & 5 of 15. Said plan being recorded with the Essex North Registry of Deeds as Plan Number 11021. Reference is made to said plan for a more particular description of said Lot #9.

Said Lot #9 contains 47,779 square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan.

Grantor does hereby retain a fee in the streets, ways and all drainage, water and utility easements as shown on said plan. Said Lot is conveyed together with the right to pass, repass and otherwise use the streets and ways as shown on said Plan for all purposes for which streets and ways are commonly used in the Town of Andover, together with all others lawfully entitled thereto.

Said lot is conveyed subject to and with the benefit of a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants dated June 30, 1988 and recorded with said Registry at Book 2760, page 268.

Said lot being conveyed subject to and with the benefit of any and all easements, restrictions, conditions and encumbrances of record insofar as the same are still in force and applicable.

This conveyance does not constitute a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Grantor corporation.

Being the same premises conveyed to us by deed from Doherty & Sons, Inc. dated July 1, 1991 and recorded at the Essex North District Registry of Deeds at Book 3278, Page 321.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all outstanding municipal or other public taxes, tax titles, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and existing encumbrances of record, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS and NO/100 ($5,000.00) must be paid by certified, bank, treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser as a deposit. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, or by certified check, bank cashier's check or bank treasurer's check within 30 days thereafter at the Law Offices of Shapiro & Kreisman, Chiswick Park, 490 Boston Post Road, Sudbury, MA 01776 (978) 443-8800. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

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March 15, 22 & 29, 2001

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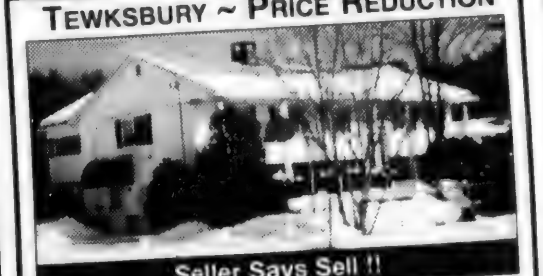

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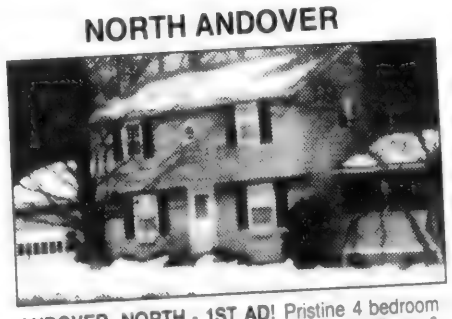

ANDOVER, NORTH - 1ST AD! Pristine 4 bedroom Colonial on corner, private lot close to town, library & schools. Hardwood floors, fresh paint throughout plus updated eat-in kitchen, dining room and front-to-back fireplaced living room. Upstairs has 4 large bedrooms and a full bath. Lower level includes a large family room with access to back yard. Don't miss this opportunity. $329,900
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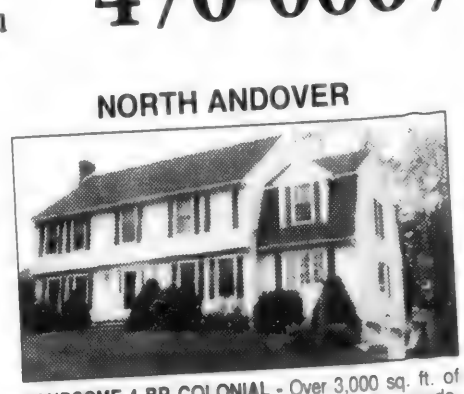

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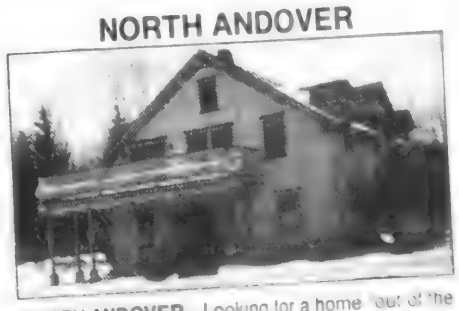
NORTH ANDOVER



NORTH ANDOVER - Looking for a home "out of the ordinary"? You must see this one-of-a-kind renovated Carriage House with [illegible] One of the three baths [illegible] a double marble shower/sauna with [illegible] interior doors are solid mahogany. Other words thought of this home: black walnut, butternut and ash. The world "one of a kind" [illegible] $695,000
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NORTH ANDOVER

DON'T MISS OUT! Much sought after area in No. Andover! This Classic brick front Colonial offers 12 rooms, custom kitchen, formal living room with French doors, 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 2 fireplaces and the list goes on! $739,900
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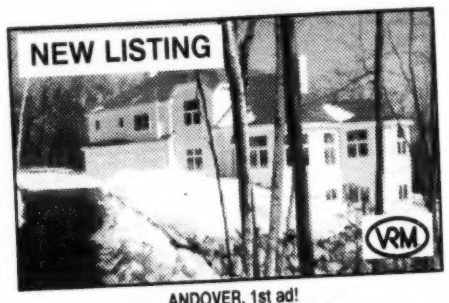
ANDOVER, 1st ad!
Location Location Location!
Walk to town ~ Sanborn School
9 rm ~ 4 BR ~ 2.5 BA ~ 1st flr laundry
liv rm adj library ~ FP fam rm w/built-ins
din rm overlooks private wooded yard
Another new listing by Amy Sebell x236
amy@amysebell.com $659,900



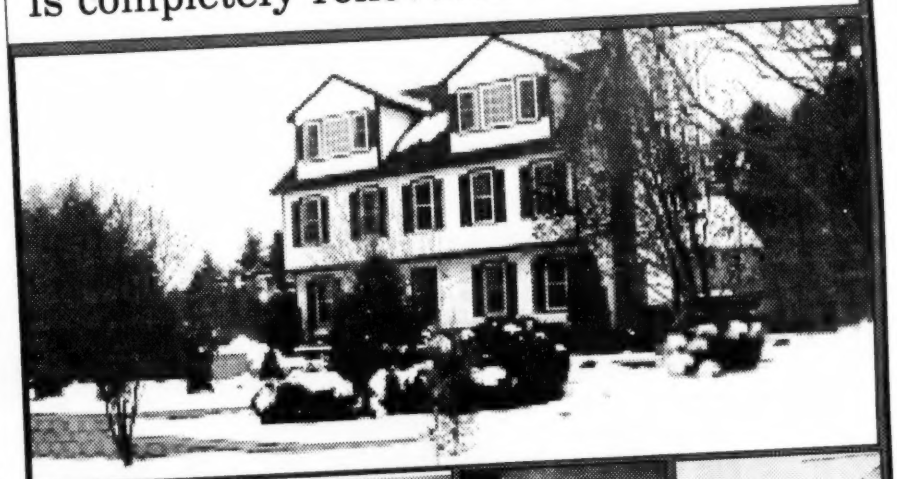
ANDOVER, 1st ad!
New Construction/State of the art
Haggetts Pond ~ private setting
12 RM ~ 5+ BR ~ 4.5 BA ~ 3 car attached
energy efficient systems ~ 4+ acres
2 back to back gas FP ~ cat 5 wiring
Another new listing by Amy Sebell x236
VRM 50 Range $789,000-$898,876

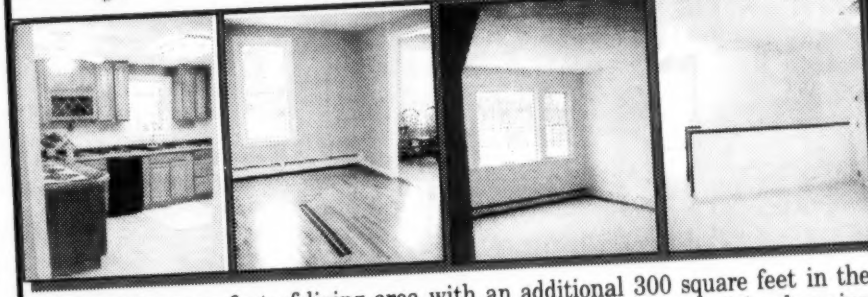
ANDOVER, 1st ad!
Exceptional Home ~ updates galore
great in-town location on cul-de-sac
granite kitchen/custom oak cabs
8/4/3 ~ patio ~ deck ~ gunite pool
new wndws/root/heat sys & hot wtr
A new listing by Paula Carroll x135
pcarroll@andoverliving.com $519,900

NORTH ANDOVER, 1st ad!
Multi level in immaculate condition
circular drive ~ deck ~ patio
7 rm ~ 4 BR ~ 2.5 BA ~ 3 FP ~ HW
2 car heated attached ~ 1 car detached
fin low lev w/kit & wine cellar
A new listing by Young Lee x232
ylee@andoverliving.com $489,900

ANDOVER, 1st ad!
Shawsheen Village 7 rm Colonial
Spacious fam rm opens to lg patio
Freshly painted 1st flr ~ 3 bedrooms
newly tiled bath ~ redone pine flrs
1 car detached ~ nice yard ~ sunny thruout
Another new listing by Nick Geranios x121
ngeranios@andoverliving.com $269,900

This 21 year old Garrison Colonial
on a private cul-de-sac
is completely renovated inside and out.





Over 3000 square feet of living area with an additional 300 square feet in the heated partially finished basement & 2 car garage. Professional landscaping highlights the 350 linear feet of retaining wall with terraced perennial and evergreen gardens, fruit bearing trees, pond with waterfall and fountain, granite stairs and garden borders, 2 pea-stone driveways, and multi-tiered red cedar decks with 6 person Hot Springs Spa. Top quality materials and custom craftsmanship throughout. Many amenities and lots of extras including all new top of the line appliances. This home has 9 rooms, 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 1st floor laundry, lower level office, completely redone third level for private master or teen suite/loft. $549,900

Another listing by Doug Howe x229
dhowe@andoverliving.com
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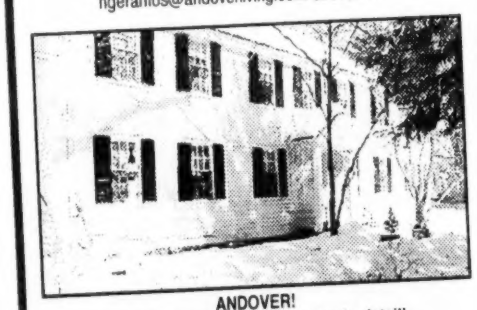
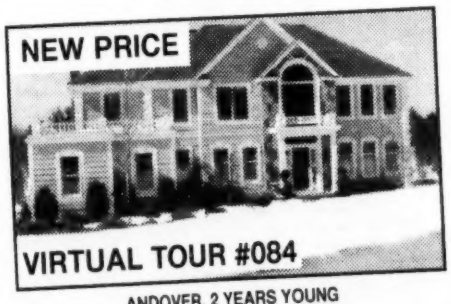
ANDOVER, 1st ad!
Desirable Andover Gardens Condo
Great commuter loc & close to town
Refurbished & fully applianced
1 BR ~ deeded parking ~ pool ~ deck
Upper level ~ Will not last!
A new listing by Sheryl Doherty x216
sdoherty@andoverliving.com $119,900

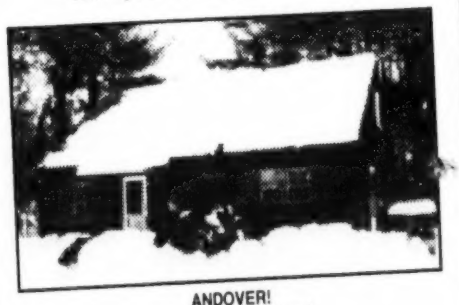


ANDOVER!
Carefully renovated w/attention to detail!
Charming in town Colonial on wooded lot
cherry cabs ~ corian countertops
9 rm ~ 3+ BR ~ 1.5 BA ~ garage
wood thermopane windows
new light filled family room $549,900
A listing by Sue Bishop x253

ANDOVER , NEW CONSTRUCTION!
An OMEGA custom built home
just minutes from 93 & 495 on acre lot
4100+ sq. ft. living space ~ extras galore
luxurious mstr w/48' x 72' marble whirlpool
10 rm ~ 4 BR ~ 2.5 BA ~ 3 car attached
Another listing by Chris Doherty x230
cdoherty@andoverliving.com ~ $959,900

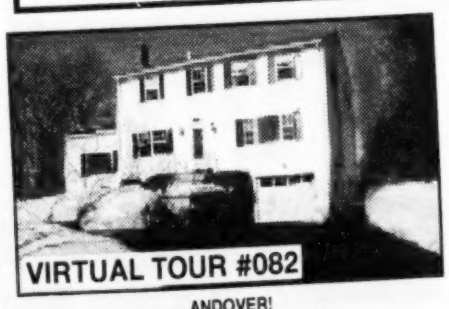


ANDOVER, 2 YEARS YOUNG
A Wynwood Custom Built Home
near Phillips Academy & Pike School
5300+ sq. ft. living space ~ amenities galore
Scandia kitchen ~ bridal staircase ~ 2FP
11 rm ~ 4/5 BR ~ 3 car detached
Another listing by Amy Sebell x236
amy@amysebell.com ~ $1,150,000

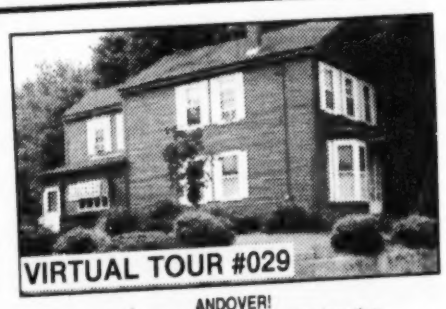


ANDOVER!
Walk to South School
Cape ~ 7 rm ~ 3 BR ~ 2 full BA
eat-in kitchen ~ shiny hardwood
front to back living room w/FP
full basement partially finished
Another listing by Deb Perrone x126
dperrone@andoverliving.com ~ $299,900

NORTH ANDOVER, NEW CONSTRUCTION!
Desirable Heritage Estates
Built by Brookview Country Homes
Colonials & Capes, loaded with amenities
Crown molding, granite, oak flrs, 2FP
3200-3400+ GLA ~ $675,000 - $750,000
Another listing by Sue Papalia x130
spapalia@andoverliving.com



ANDOVER!
VIEWS OF FOSTER POND
Colonial set on private 2+ acres
spectacular cath ceiling great room
9 rm ~ 4 BR ~ 2.5 BA ~ super kit
pool ~ patio ~ deck
A listing by Dick Barrett x131 ~ $489,000
dbarrett@andoverliving.com



ANDOVER!
South School ~ great commuter location
inground pool ~ patio ~ screened house
charming kitchen w/breakfast nook
8 rooms ~ 4 bedrooms ~ security system
new roof and replacement windows
A listing by Janice Furey x246 $318,000
jfurey@andoverliving.com

ANDOVER!
Colonial w/loads of living space
beautiful acre plus lot ~ landscaped grounds
large tiled foyer ~ 3 fireplaces
9 rm ~ 4 BR ~ 2.5 BA ~ 3700 sq ft
banquet size din rm ~ 2400 sq ft in low lev
A listing by Beth Poulo x221
bpoulo@andoverliving.com $579,900

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NORTH ANDOVER Charming and fresh, newly built 2-3 bedroom Town House. Many upgrades include gas fireplace, hardwood in kitchen, skylights in family room, sliders to sun deck. Great near town location!
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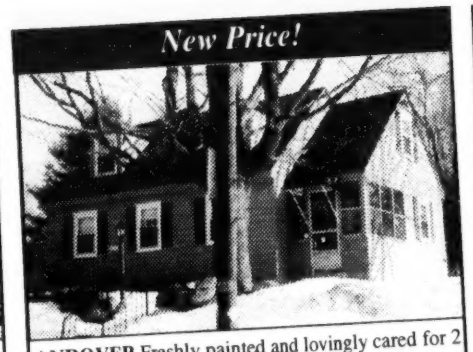
New Price!



ANDOVER Freshly painted and lovingly cared for 2 bedroom Cape located within walking distance to town, in a neighborhood setting. Move-in condition, new triple-pane windows, newer furnace. Lots of expansion potential.
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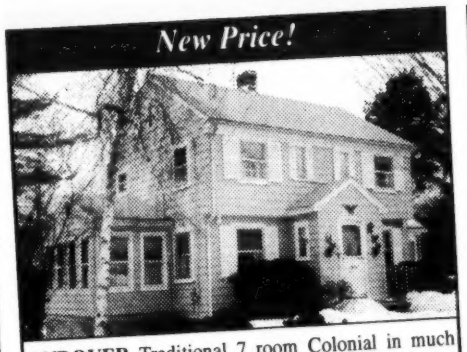
New Price!



ANDOVER Traditional 7 room Colonial in much sought after in-town neighborhood! Fireplaced living room, formal dining room, 2 fireplaces, lots of hardwood floors, central a/c, and a 2 car garage.
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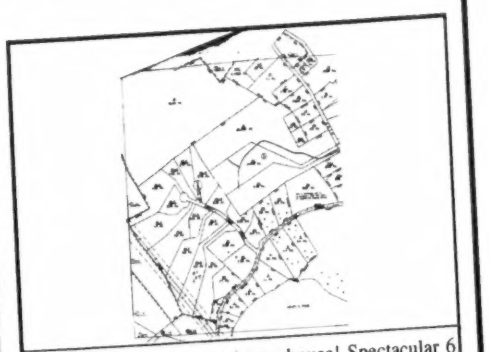

BOXFORD Build your dream house! Spectacular 6 acre lot with extraordinary views of countryside! Located on a newer 15 lot cul-de-sac of comparable homes. Open building site and wooded to rear of lot. No builder tie-in!
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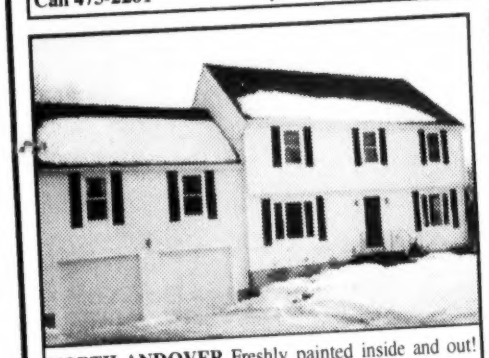

NORTH ANDOVER Freshly painted inside and out! Spacious, young Colonial on private 4 acre lot in neighborhood setting. Cathedral ceiling fireplaced family room with built-ins. Finished lower level with full bath. Great location!
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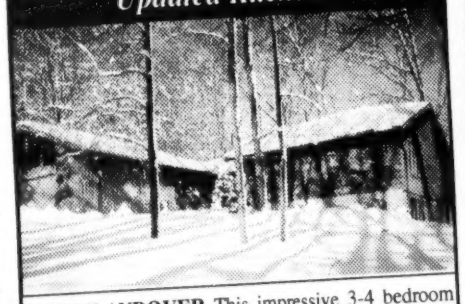
Updated Kitchen!



NORTH ANDOVER This impressive 3-4 bedroom Contemporary offers a flexible floor plan with 3,000 sq. ft. of living area! Gorgeous marble fireplace, skylights, 3 full baths, freshly painted, in-home office and kitchen that was just updated!
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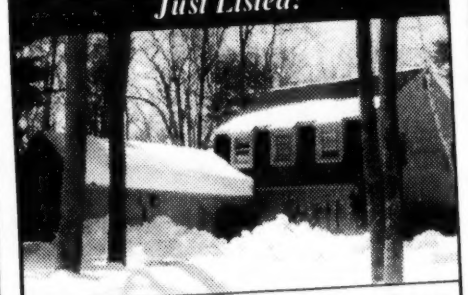

NORTH ANDOVER Old Center! Walk to the common from this lovely 4 bedroom Gambrel with attached 2 car garage. Set on a large, well landscaped lot in fabulous neighborhood, this home has a first floor bedroom, 3 full baths and 2 fireplaces!
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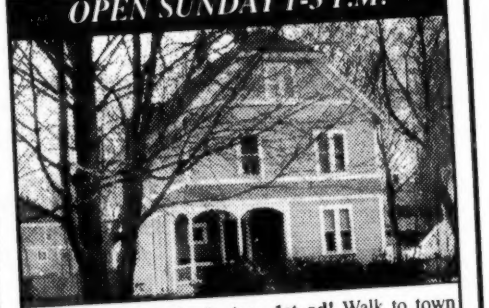

ANDOVER 17 Maple Ave. 1st ad! Walk to town from this lovingly maintained and restored 1887 Victorian! Bright airy room, large windows, French doors, wide pine floors, 2 baths, built-ins, nooks & crannies, 2 finished rooms on the 3rd floor.
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TOPSFIELD 12 Thompson Rd. Exceptional Classic Colonial with excellent floor plan on private tree studded .9 acre lot. This 9 room home features 5 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 fireplaces and expansion potential over the 3 car garage!
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NORTH ANDOVER 547 Winter St. 1st ad! Loaded with extras! This spacious 10 room Colonial boasts a beautiful entry with curved stairway, 23x23 fireplaced family room, 3 season sunroom, finished basement, hardwood floors and central a/c.
Call 686-2201 **Exclusive $569,900**

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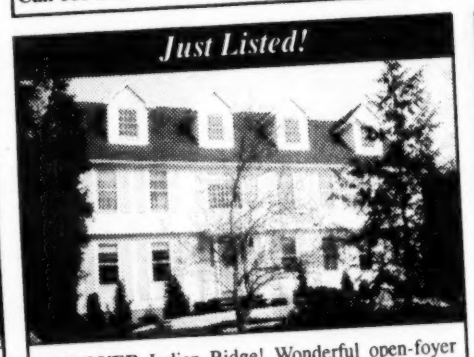

ANDOVER Indian Ridge! Wonderful open-foyer Colonial with all the bells & whistles! Remodeled granite kitchen, Florida room with vaulted ceiling and wet bar, fireplaced family room with wide pine floor, fireplaced master bedroom with sitting area.
Call 475-2201 **Exclusive $699,900**

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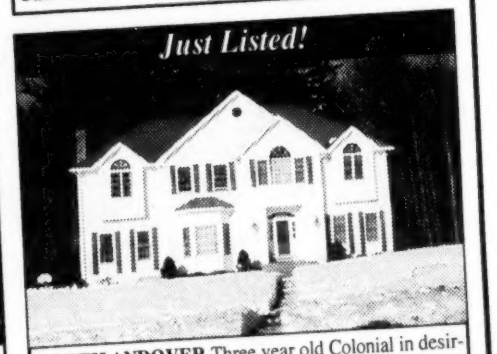
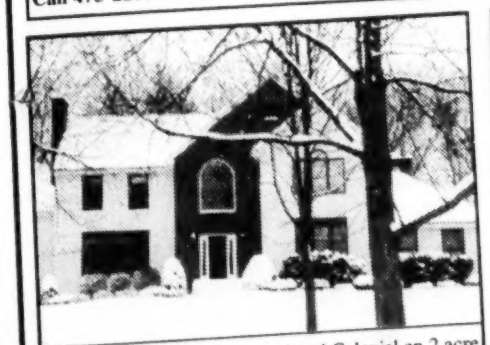


NORTH ANDOVER Three year old Colonial in desirable cul-de-sac neighborhood of comparable homes. Spacious room sizes, hardwood floors throughout, 2 fireplaces, family room opens to sunroom, a/c, master bedroom with walk-in closets and whirlpool.
Call 475-2201 **Exclusive $799,900**



ANDOVER Fabulous transitional Colonial on 2 acre lot at end of cul-de-sac. Features include stunning new granite kitchen, 1st floor au-pair suite, 3.5 baths, fireplaces in living room, family room and library. All spacious rooms, new paint and wall to wall.
Call 475-2201 **Exclusive $839,900**

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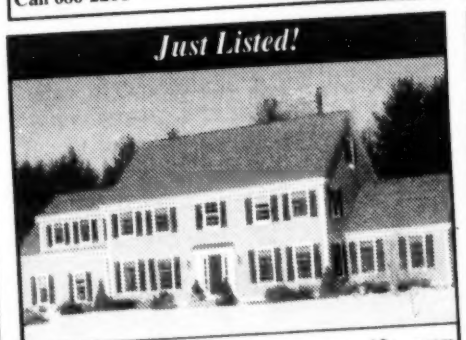

BOXFORD Gracious center entrance 10+ room Colonial with lovely details, spacious floor plan, 2 fireplaces, 3.5 baths, central a/c, 3 car attached garage. Gorgeous 3.5 acre lot with bluestone patio, gardens and even a water lily pond!
Call 475-2201 **Exclusive $899,000**

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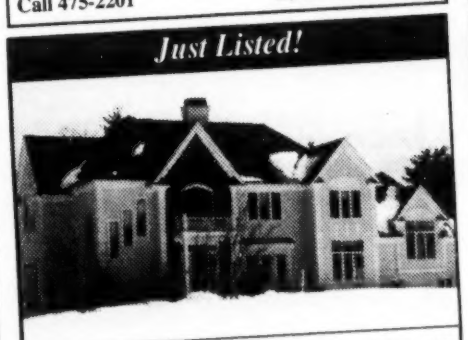

ANDOVER Fieldstone Meadows! Stunning near new 4,700 sq. ft. Colonial with gracious flow and all the upgrades you would expect from Andover's finest custom builder! Finished lower level au-pair suite. Andover's best commuting location & near town.
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ANDOVER - 4 Buttonwood - First Ad! Sophisticated Contemporary in Fieldstone Meadows! Balcony foyer, 2 story living room with wall of glass, first floor master suite with sitting area and luxurious bath. Free form gunite pool and spa.
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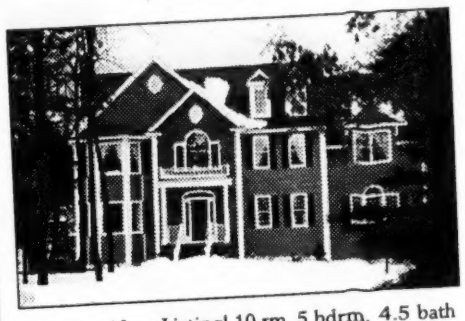
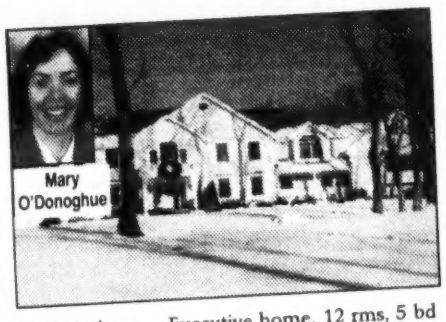
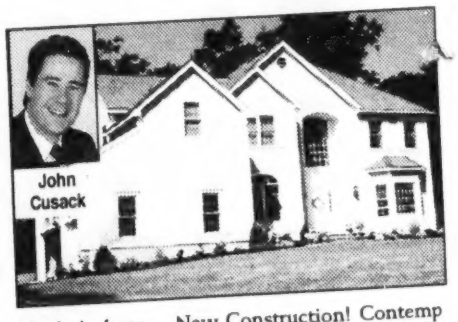


Andover ~ New Listing! 10 rm, 5 bdrm. 4.5 bath Col w/9 ft. ceilings, kit w/cherry cabinets, sun-room w/3 walls of wndws w/view of Hussey's Pond. Mstr suite w/deck, LL au pair or possible in law. Quality throughout! $1,650,000.
Call Valerie Roberts

North Andover ~ New Listing! New Construction! 10 rm, 4 bd rm, 2.5 bath Colonial with many upgrades. 2 frpls, hrdwd flrs, 3 car garage, town sewer, and more. $774,900
Call John Cusack



North Andover ~ Executive home, 12 rms, 5 bd rms, 3.5 baths on cul-de-sac. Gourmet white kit, separate suite for au-pair, 2 frpls, 20x25 great room w/vaulted;ted ceiling, heated pool on acre lot. $1,250,000
Call Mary O'Donoghue



North Andover ~ New Construction! Contemp Colonial, 10 rm, 4 bd rms, 2.5 baths, 2 frpls, hrdwd flrs, town sewer, fantastic family filled cul-de-sac. $799,900
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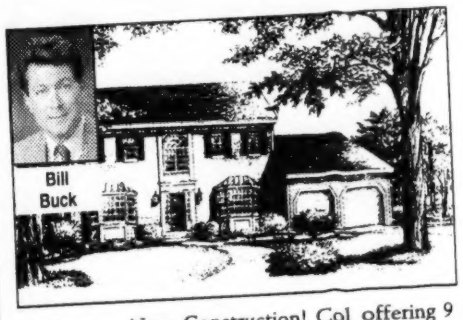

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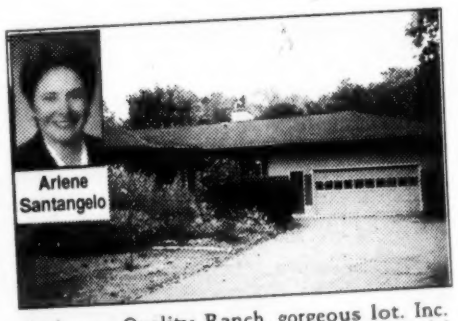

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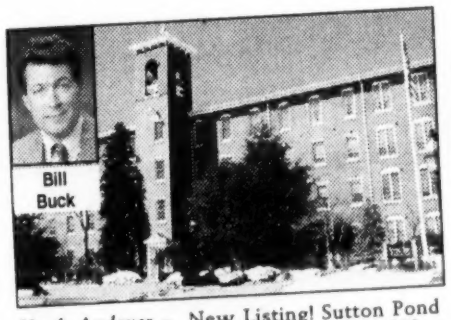

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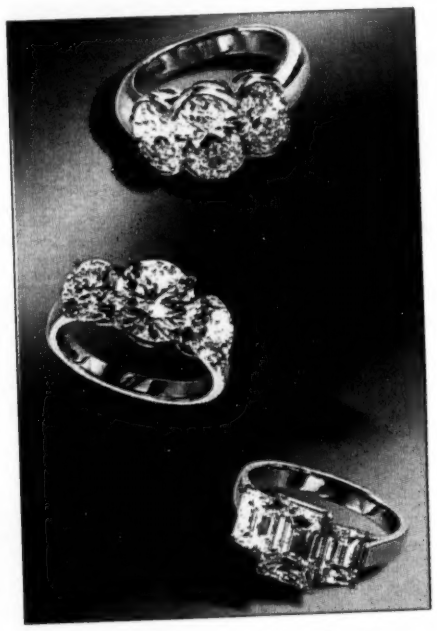

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